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FILLEY THE BOSS.

He Turns Down His Old Enemies Again.

HIS SLATE GOES THROUGH

The Caucus Nominations for Officers of the General Assembly—The House Organized.

Special to the Democrat.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.—The preliminary work of organizing the general assembly ended with the party caucuses last night and for once, at least, the expected has happened. Filley is on top! The St. Louis boss pulled the strings and the boys danced to any tune that was given them. Filley does nothing by halves; he rules with a rod of iron and the drubbing he gave the "silks" last night is a warning of the fate that awaits any republican leader who dares show the least independence or who refuses to bow to the yoke.

Both Bothwell and Bittering submitted gracefully when they saw that there was not even a chance to prolong the contest, but it was easy to see that they felt humiliated that an outsider should manipulate and control the organization of the house of which they are members.

The democratic house caucus met in the senate chamber last night and organized by electing Hon. H. S. Julian, of Kansas City, chairman and re-electing Dr. W. N. Graham secretary. The following nominations for officers of the house were then made, the only contest being over the speakership: Davidson, of Marion, Moore, of Mississippi, and Drabell, of St. Louis, were placed in nomination. Drabell's name was dropped at the third ballot and on the fourth ballot Davidson was chosen by a vote of 27 to 26. Lon Luther, of Lamotte, was nominated for chief clerk; Sid J. Roy for assistant chief clerk; Wesley M. McMurray for enrolling clerk; D. C. McClung for engrossing clerk; J. G. Barnett for sergeant-at-arms; W. S. Rex for doorkeeper; Ben S. Mitchell for official reporter and Rev. Wm. M. Prottman for chaplain.

The democratic caucus of the senate organized by electing Lieutenant Governor O'Meara chairman, Senator Morton secretary and Senator Bledsoe sergeant-at-arms. The caucus was held behind closed doors and it was nearly 11 o'clock when the nominations for the senate organization were announced. The nominations were as follows:

President pro tem., Senator G. T. Dunn of Lincoln county; secretary, Cornelius Roach of Jasper county; assistant secretary, Robert E. Lozier of Carroll county; sergeant-at-arms, J. T. Wells of Bollinger county; chaplain, Rev. C. G. Davis of Cole county; official reporter, William M. Smith of St. Louis; doorkeeper, U. A. McBride of Johnson county; folder, Charles Allison of Henry county; pages, Masters Billy Jones of Callaway county; William Martin of St. Louis and Jack Gray of St. Louis. The caucus remained in executive session until a late hour.

The republican senatorial caucus convened in the engrossing room of the senate. Senator Bushe, of St. Louis, was elected chairman, and Senator Davidson, of Harrison, secretary. The following persons were nominated for official positions: President pro tem., James O'Bannon of Dallas; E. D. Morris of Grundy, secretary; Charles D. Curtis, of Newton, assistant secretary; Lieutenant Walter Sander of St. Louis, official reporter; A. L. Evans of Kirksville, sergeant-at-arms; Joseph Flick of Cole, doorkeeper; P. W. Wills of St. Joseph, folder; chaplain, A. J. Bradley of St. Louis.

It was to the republican house caucus which met at 8 o'clock last night that the greatest interest attached, but even that did not furnish first-class amusement. It was flat. The silks surrendered. The opposing candidates withdrew from the race and Russell was nominated by acclamation. The other nominations were: Albert Griffin for chief clerk; W. G. Kitchen for assistant chief clerk; Harry L. Eads for engrossing clerk; John P. Collier for enrolling clerk; G. S. Pountain for door-

keeper; J. W. Eldredge for sergeant-at-arms.

The House Organized.

The house of representatives was formally organized today by the election of the Filley slate—the product of the republican caucus—as the permanent officers.

Hitch in the Senate.

When the senate met this morning four of the senators—Walker, Goodykoontz, Bledsoe and Morrissey—were absent, leaving the senate a tie and preventing the election of permanent officers and necessitating an adjournment until two o'clock this afternoon.

A JOB FOR SHELBY.

He May Be Sent to the Indian Territory.

WHAT MAJOR DOANE SAYS

The Department at Washington Reposes Special Confidence in the Old Commander.

Deputy United States Marshal Nearman, of Neosho, was in Kansas City yesterday, and stated, in conversation with some friends, that last week he met Major Doane, a special Indian agent, who was just back from Washington.

He stated that while there he learned that the department at Washington was seriously considering the advisability of redistricting some parts of the Indian territory, and putting the eastern part of the country, where the outlaws and thieves are congregating, into the district presided over by Marshal Jo Shelby. The matter was being favorably considered, and it was likely to be done at once, and the work of going after the gang and cleaning the territory out would then be done at once.

The department reposes special confidence in the wisdom and integrity and ability of General Shelby to complete the matter very easily and rid the country of the Cooks and Daltons and other robbers, real or mythical, says the Kansas City Journal, and restore the reign of law and the rights of the citizens down there. There is great chagrin felt at Washington, according to Major Doane, over the continued and outrageous manner in which the deputies pile up costs for hunting the men, and the regularity with which they do not find them, and for that reason the department is rapidly becoming of the opinion that a change of officers is necessary.

In this connection the fitness of General Shelby was mentioned for the work of cleaning the country down there, and the recommendation was generally accepted with favor, and the action was now liable to be taken at once.

General Shelby was asked concerning the matter by a representative of the Journal yesterday afternoon, and stated that he had heard the rumor, but nothing else. He was not in a position to state what he would do other than that he was prepared to enforce the laws of the country and carry out the orders of the court, when made to him, in any matter placed in his hands. Further than that he would not discuss the matter.

The fitness of General Shelby for the position was generally conceded by all who heard the rumor, and the remark was made that the gangs down there would find a man after them who would press the fight harder than any man in the work, and give them a chase that would speedily wipe them out. General Shelby's reputation as a man of determination and dauntless courage is national in extent.

A 'Possum Supper.

A genuine, old fashioned 'possum supper, with all the customary "fixins," will be served at 8 o'clock tonight, at the Opera House bar, on East Second street. Hot and fancy drinks will be served at the bar and the best beer brewed will be on tap.

Has Arrived.

The best hair cutter in the city. Try him at the Alamo barber shop, 112 West Third street.

Salted peanuts at Candy Palace.

PRESCRIPTIONS.

Who fills your Prescriptions?

IN soliciting your trade for our prescription department we will state that this branch of my business is at all times in charge of a competent pharmacist only, and we have always given special attention to the art of dispensing, this gives my patrons confidence and the assurance that all physician's prescriptions and domestic recipes will be scientifically and conscientiously compounded. We will be pleased to make your acquaintance and will endeavor to treat you courteously whether you wish to purchase or not. Your patronage will always be appreciated, and you may rest assured it will be our constant aim to sell you the best goods that can be obtained at reasonable prices. Give us a trial and then judge for yourself.

Yours for Drugs,

Phil E. Ott.

312 OHIO STREET.

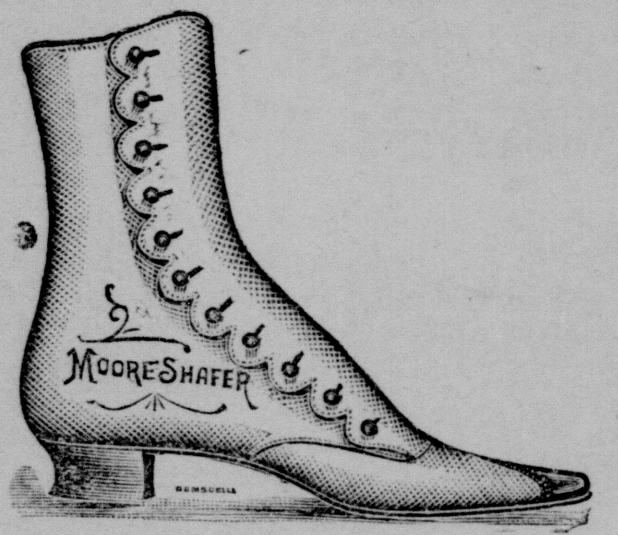
A CLOSE CALL.

Two Little Children Rescued from a Burning Building.

The two hose companies were called to the home of Henry Fisher, north of the Franklin school, last night, by an alarm of fire that had been turned in about 8 o'clock.

A Christmas tree that had been permitted to stand, and which was ornamented with inflammable material, caught fire, and for a time it was feared the house was doomed, but it was extinguished with the loss of only about \$100, which is covered by insurance.

During the excitement Henry Steffens, aged 15 years, rushed into the house to rescue a little 5-year-old brother and a 6-year-old sister, who was asleep in the parlor, and in doing so his right hand was quite badly burned.



Having purchased 25

Carloads of :

HARD COAL

It must be sold. Now is the time to . . .

Lay in your winter supply . . .

Soft Coal and Wood, best grades, and in any quantity. Place your order with the

Stanley Coal Company.

Telephone 26.

A Drunken Watchman.

A night watchman who is said to draw pay from some of our citizens for guarding their property at night, says the Parsons Eclipse, was found on the floor of the police headquarters a few nights ago in a beastly state of intoxication. Officer King at once locked him up in the city jail, but he was released the next morning without being fined.

If this watchman has any authority to make arrests it should be revoked. If our business men are paying this man to watch their property they should hire another man to watch the watchman.

Starving in St. Louis.

There is great suffering and privation among the poor of St. Louis. This is especially true in the Third police precinct. Many families, mostly foreigners, are in destitute circumstances. In the rear of 1426 N. Ninth st. the police found Frank Bolaski, a Pole, in a miserable tenement, lying sick without covering enough to keep out the cold. His wife and five children were in a starving condition, without a mouthful of food nor a particle of fire in the house. Bolaski was taken to the City Hospital and the family reported to the board of charities.

Christmas : Presents.

—See the Beautiful Styles in—

Shoes and Slippers

—A—

Wm. Courtney's

BLOOD WILL TELL

IMPURE BLOOD Produces Sickness of every description. PURE BLOOD Produces Vigor, Strength and Energy.

Take Louton's Nervona or New Blood

For sale by Aug. T. Fleischmann, Fourth and Ohio Sts.

And be Strong and Vigorous. The Alpha Chemical Co., St. Louis, Mo.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Fact or Fiction About Two Great Fair Awards.

A newspaper paragraph denounces as "false" the claim of a baking powder company to any award at the World's fair. Whom can it mean?

Certainly not Dr. Prices. Why? Because, as the records show, Dr. Price's exhibited, competed and received the highest award, both at Chicago and the California Midwinter fair. The award in California included Gold Medal. The official examiners pronounced it the strongest, the purest, the most wholesome and efficient of all the baking powders. Its title to confidence is unquestioned.

Can it be the manufacturers of a New York Powder, fictitiously labelled "absolutely pure" who are making "false" claims? That would be strange, indeed, inasmuch as they were not even considered in the awards.

Was it Ammonia in the New York powder that prevented its makers from competing? If not, what?

Donated \$5 to the Poor.

E. Bard, sr., today gave Sanitary Officer Friemom \$5 to be applied to the city's poor fund.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

Col. Meyer Very Ill.

Information has been received here that Col. Ferdinand Meyer, of this city, is dangerously ill in St. Louis with pneumonia. In company with his wife, he left for there before Christmas to spend the holidays, but was stricken down with disease, and relatives and friends are greatly alarmed at his condition.

They Cleared Over \$200.

The ladies of Sacred Heart church have about settled their Christmas tree festival bills and it is now assured that they will clear over \$200 from the entertainments—a splendid showing, truly, and one upon which Miss Herrington, the efficient president, and her associate officers are to be congratulated.

Demolished a Window.

Officer Raiffeisen is a sure shot. This morning he killed a dog at Third and Lamine streets, but the bullet also struck the stone curbing in front of Callies' store, then glanced up and demolished a pane of glass 3x6 feet in the front window.

A Former Sedalian Injured.

Forest Rainies, a former Sedalia boy, now in the United States army, stationed at Fort Reno, Indian territory, was dangerously injured a few days ago.

Candy Palace for salted peanuts.

RAILROAD RUMBLE.

The Wholesale Pass Business Has Been Abolished.

MINISTERS MUST PAY, TOO.

Items of Interest Picked Up From Various Sources for the Benefit of "Democrat" Readers.

Every year railroad managers announce that there will be a great curtailment in the number of passes issued, and for a month or two the new restrictions are enforced. The same rule was made this year, with the positive statement that it is to be lived up to. Passes are a great drain on railway treasures, and managers are determined to see if a few thousand dollars cannot be saved by curtailing the amount of free transportation.

The trunk lines have agreed to do away with clergymen's half fare permits. They argue that most of the gentlemen of the cloth receive good salaries and that there is no more reason why they should receive concessions from the railroads than should mechanics or clerks, who are not so liberally recompensed. The enforcement of this rule will save thousands of dollars to the railroads.

Another clause of the agreement which will prove even more profitable, if enforced, is a restriction that trip passes shall not be issued to employees except upon the indorsement of the general managers of the various lines. Officers of any railway less than twenty-five miles in length are to be ignored as far as passes are concerned, and a general and united effort is to be made in these days of receivers and deficiencies to obtain as much money as possible for transporting passengers.

Three Roads That Did Well.

While most of the railways in the country show a decrease in earnings for the year 1894, three Kansas City railways report increased earnings for the year—the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Kansas City, Osceola & Southern and the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railways, says the Kansas City Star.

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas reports large increase in both earnings and tonnage. Most of the Kansas City railways report increased shipments for the year of merchandise, live stock and packing house products. Lines east of Kansas City had marked increases in local merchandise shipments to points in Missouri visited by the Commercial club last spring.

The fact has been noted for a long time by railroad men, who have noticed that after a Commercial club trip into new territory there is an increased movement of local shipments to that territory, which is considered good evidence that such trips are profitable.

Assistant General Manager Allen.

General Superintendent Allen, of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, has been promoted to the office of assistant general manager, says the Chicago Herald. The advancement is highly satisfactory to railroad officials generally. Mr. Allen having continued on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas the good work for which he became noted on the Wisconsin Central. He fairly divides with Vice President Purdy the reputation of having rehabilitated the Missouri, Kansas and Texas after it was wrecked by its previous management. With the backing furnished by the Rockefellerers it has now become a dangerous rival to all roads in its territory.

Coach, Cab and Caboose.

Conductor Jake Hukill is running Conductor Dan Hogan's train while the latter is nursing his sore toe.

Conductor H. A. Pratt will lay off tomorrow to attend court and his train will be taken out by Conductor Pete Knox.

Conductor S. M. Goddard, of the Lexington branch run, who has been laying off for ten days past, resumed his run today.

J. A. Noakes, the popular passenger conductor on the Kansas City division of the M., K. & T., was married Tuesday evening at Mound

SEDALIA NATIONAL BANK.

Capital, \$100,000.00; Surplus, \$11,000.00.

Have moved to their new banking room, southwest corner Third and Ohio streets.

DIRECTORS:—J. H. Bothwell, Vice Pres.; F. W. Shultz, Cashier; W. A. Lower, J. W. Murphy, Martin Renkin, Chris. Hye, H. G. Clark, Dr. D. F. Brown, Charles E. Musick, Dr. W. H. Evans, William Courtney, H. W. Mueschke, Dr. E. F. Vancey, Henry Lamm, E. R. Blair.

We invite your business and offer to depositors every facility which their business and responsibility warrant.

OFFICE HOURS:	FRANK B. FESLER	CATARBA
9 to 12 A. M.	Physician, Surgeon,	THROAT
1 to 5 P. M.	Oculist and Aurist.	LUNGS,
7 to 8 P. M.	Office 113 1/2 Ohio Street, Five doors South of Main street, Sedalia, Mo.	OLD SORES
		and other diseases
		—OF—
		MALE and FEMALE

Bottom . . . Cash Values.

Granulated Sugar, 22 lbs. for.....	\$1.00
C Sugar, 23 lbs. for.....	1.00
Choice Blend Coffee, per lb.....	22 1/2c
Navy Beans, 6 lbs. for.....	25c
Roller Oats, 7 lbs. for.....	25c
Baking Powder, the best, per lb.....	10c
Evaporated Peaches, per lb.....	10c
Evaporated Appricots, per lb.....	10c
Evaporated Peas, per lb.....	10c
Raisens, per lb.....	5c
Two lb can Corn 4 cans for.....	25c
Good Tomatos 3 cans.....	25c
California Peaches, Peas and Appricots, per can.....	15c
Best Tea Dust, per lb.....	10c
Tea of all kinds, per lb.....	20c to 60c

W. HAIN,

CASH GROCER, 303 Ohio St.

City, Kas., to Miss Avis Wooden, an estimable young lady. The bride and groom have arrived in Parsons and will make that city their future home.

W. H. Brill, of St. Louis, traveling passenger agent for the St. Louis and Cairo Short Line, was looking after company business here today.

Conductor Tom C. Butts, who has been running Conductor Goddard's Lexington branch train while the latter was laying off, deadheaded down from Kansas City at noon today.

It is said that Jim Mercer, of the Missouri Pacific shops, has disposed of the \$8 horse that he won at a recent raffle to George Lord, the consideration being \$10. The animal is reported to be a "dandy."

The Missouri Pacific general passenger department has announced to agents and conductors that all tickets destined to Lincoln or Omaha are limited to continuous train passage through Kansas City.

The Missouri Pacific shop boys tell a good one on their fellow-workman, Philip Wagner. He purchased a new overcoat a couple of days ago, the garment being fitted out with spring clasps instead of the old style buttons. Phil wore the coat home, but was unable to remove it, as the spring clasps were too much for him, nor could his family solve the problem, so he quietly removed his pantaloons and slept in the coat until morning, when he returned it to the store and exchanged it for an old style garment.

The Sloman-Goddard Nuptials.

Miss Addie Goddard, the accomplished daughter of Conductor and Mrs. S. M. Goddard, was married Tuesday night at the home of her parents, No. 1415 Bellevue street, Kansas City, to Mr. Lewis Sloman, a popular commercial man of that city.

There were nearly two score of guests present, and all did justice to the magnificent wedding feast that Mrs. Goddard had prepared for the occasion.

The DEMOCRAT joins with the many friends of the happy young couple in extending hearty congratulations.

Again Locked Up.

John Henry Summers was locked up again last night, but was too drunk to be tried this morning. He will be arraigned before Recorder Bosserman tomorrow.

See Our Coal Before You Buy—

Think we can suit in Price and Quality Coal, Wood, Sewer Pipe, Drain Tile, &c.

WHIPPLE COAL CO., Telephone YARD—Cor. Third and Montgomery.

The Dusty Dollars

Are ours if you look at these prices.

Granulated Sugar, 22 lbs. for.....	\$1.00
C Sugar, 23 lbs. for.....	1.00
Choice Blend Coffee, per lb.....	22 1/2c
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Yours for Cash Only ROLEY BROS., 1000 E. Third St. Telephone 216

We Learn From Others.

This we say in referring you to the numbers of persons that have in the last three months bought Missouri Sewing Machines, as from them you can learn the Missouri Sewing Machine has proven itself all that its claimed for it.

While the "Missouri Sewing Machine" is sold from \$22.50 to \$30.00, it is by no means sold at the price alone caused it to sell so well, but its qualities has made it far preferable to many sewing machines which have for many years been known to the trade generally, and on their name the price has been held way up to \$45.00 and \$65.00 and to this day the representatives of these high price machines are attempting to sell and do sell from \$45.00 to \$65.00 to persons that have not become acquainted with the fact they can get Missouri Sewing Machine, which is in every sense as good, and by many that have bought, claim them to be superior to the Machines priced from \$45.00 to \$65.00. Come and see us at 122 West Third Street, Sedalia, Mo., and we will prove to you the above is fact.

Please remember the price of Missouri Sewing Machines is \$22.50 to \$30.00. We sell needles for all kinds of Sewing Machines, also repairs. Our price for needles is only fifteen cents per dozen.

Missouri Sewing Machine, J. O. Kurtz, 122 West Third Street, Sedalia, Mo.

Dividend Notice.

SEDALIA NATIONAL BANK, Dec. 31, 1894. At a meeting of the directors of this bank a semi-annual dividend of four per cent. (4 per cent.), was declared out of the net earnings for the past six months, and five hundred (\$500) placed to surplus. Dividends payable to stockholders January 3, 1895. F. W. SHULTZ, Cashier.

Dividend Notice.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 31, 1894. At a meeting of the board of directors of the Third National bank held today a dividend of four per cent (4 per cent) was declared out of the earnings of the last six months payable to stockholders on demand. R. H. MOSES, Cashier.

Dividend Notice.

CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK, SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 29th, 1894. At a meeting of the directors of this bank a semi-annual dividend of four per cent (4 per cent) was declared out of the net earnings payable to stockholders Jan. 2nd, 1895. WM. H. POWELL, Jr., Cashier.

Hot Cocoa Free.

Walter Baker & Co.'s Breakfast Cocoa is being served free at the following grocery stores: M. B. Coleman. W. J. Letts. McGinley Bros. Chas. Hoffman & Bro.

Sent to the Asylum.

Miss Lizzie Shelton, aged 20, of Boonville, has been sent to the Nevada asylum, crazy with the idea that she poisoned herself, and with an insatiable appetite for raw eggs to counteract the drugs.

HORRIBLE, IF TRUE.

Was 11-Year-Old George Parks Poisoned?

A TERRIBLE SUSPICION.

His Parents Are Charged With the Crime—An Analysis of the Stomach.

A Brookfield, Mo., dispatch of the 2d to the St. Louis Chronicle says: The suicide of 11-year-old George Parks in this city last Thursday, by hanging himself to a rafter in his father's barn, has caused no end of gossip and suspicion. His body, which was interred in the cemetery Saturday, has been exhumed, his stomach removed and sent to St. Louis for medical examination.

A heavy cloud of suspicion now envelops the parents. His stomach will be diagnosed to determine whether or not the little boy had been poisoned. Preparations had been made by his parents for the funeral Friday, and after the people of the city began to gather at the home Constable Wooley ordered the interment postponed to hold an inquest and ascertain the truth of the many statements which had gained circulation, in which it might be imagined that the parents were accessories to the boy's deed.

From the fact that the little fellow was too young to know what responsibility meant, and the alleged cruelty of his parents, strange stories have been circulated. The boy's parents stated that he had been about home as usual that morning, and they had noticed nothing peculiar in his actions.

John Parks attended a funeral at the Christian church at 10:30. When he returned home about 11:30, Mrs. Parks told him she had called George, but the boy hadn't answered, and that he had better go out and see if he could find him. Parks went out to the barn and upon entering saw the boy hanging from a rafter. He yelled and several neighbors came and immediately cut the rope, carried the boy into the house, and sent for a doctor.

When Dr. Pratt arrived he attempted to resuscitate the boy, but life was extinct. Mrs. Parks testified as follows:

"George got up and did his work as usual that morning. Parks had gone to a funeral. I talked to George in the house and asked him why he ran off. He said some boys persuaded him to. At 11:10 I sent George to the barn for some wood. He did not return and I called him twice, but got no reply. When Parks returned from the funeral I told him I couldn't find the boy. Parks went to the barn and then saw the boy hanging from a rafter. The boy stole things and lied about them and his father would whip him, but hadn't whipped him for a month."

The boy had a book supposed to be stolen. He went to do some chores Friday and did not come back. Parks said: "If that little rascal ran away I will wear him out."

It is reported that the parents were exceedingly cruel and negligent of their young son, and many times he went hungry and cold.

John Parks, the father, fainted three different times when questioned about his son's deed, and upon one occasion drew an ax upon another man who accused him of being cruel to the boy, and had not a bystander interceded, a rash act might have followed. He was arrested and bound over to the February term of court.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks have also been arraigned before the justice of the peace for neglecting and refusing to provide necessary food and clothing for their infant son as well as purposely assaulting him, whereby his life was endangered and injured.

Much excitement awaits the outcome of the trial, and the examination of the boy's stomach.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of bad colds. It opens the secretions, relieves the lungs and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. If freely used as soon as the cold has been contracted, and before it has become settled in the system, it greatly lessens the severity of the attack and has often cured in a single day what would have been a severe cold. Chamberlain's remedies at Fleischmann's, 4th & Ohio.

J. M. Stafford Insane.

J. M. Stafford, violently insane from the excessive use of morphine, was brought in from Green Ridge last night by Marshal Murphy and

turned over to Sheriff Porter. The unfortunate man will be sent to the asylum at Nevada. He is a member of the A. O. U. W. and until a few months ago traveled for a St. Louis grocery house.

PENCIL PUSHERS.

How They Are Paid on the New York City Papers.

According to Capt. Henry King, in an article written for the Forum, journalists in New York city are appreciated. Those of the DEMOCRAT's readers who feel themselves possessed of newspaper talent should not throw it away in the attempt to reach the presidential chair. Capt. King says:

"In New York City, the salaries are higher than anywhere else, partly because of the superior standard of proficiency and partly because the cost of living is greater there than in any other large city. One editor-in-chief has the same salary as the president of the United States, \$50,000 per year, and others receive from \$10,000 to \$12,000, or more than members of the cabinet. Managing editors are paid from \$100 to \$150 per week, or a better compensation than that of senators and representatives in congress. Editorial writers get from \$50 to \$75 per week as a rule, and in cases of rare ability as much as the average salary of a managing editor. City editors receive from \$60 to \$75 per week, and in a few instances \$100. The pay of news editors is about equal to that of city editors. Literary, theatrical and musical critics average \$50 per week. Copy writers are paid from \$40 to \$45 per week. Reporters earn all the way from \$15 to \$60 per week, with an average of \$45, and space writers of particular talents have been known to make as much as \$125 per week, though the limitation of topics and the pressure of competition usually keep their incomes down around the best paid reporters. There are some writers for syndicates of newspapers, men with names that have a certain value, who earn from \$5,000 to \$6,000 per year, and there are others of first-class technical capacity in various lines whose salaries occasionally reach \$5,000. The pay of all classes of journalists average 10 per cent lower in Brooklyn than in New York City."

Antelope, Venison and Prime Meats.

In connection with our prime beef we will have some fine antelope and venison. We have the only antelope in the city. This wild game came fresh from the wild plains of Texas and is fine and fat. Our Christmas meats are of the choicest quality. Don't fail to get one of Newton's prime roasts of beef; you will find them strictly prime and tender, something a little bit different than you are used to if you have not been dealing with us.

Our farm sausage, which we have built up such a trade in, is as good as ever—all pork with plenty of country grown sage and red pepper in it—like your mother used to make down on the farm.

Don't fail to call and view our magnificent display of meats which we will hang up Monday; also leave your order for one of the Newton beef roasts or a piece of antelope or venison. Remember, this wild meat came direct from the wild plains of Texas. It is no tame stuff. Telephone 120.

NEWTON MEAT CO.

The Assessor's Abstract.

Following is an abstract of the assessment of Pettis county realty and personal property for 1895, as taken from Assessor Logan's books:

REAL ESTATE.	
Farm lands.....	\$5,005,700 00
City of Sedalia.....	2,829,370 00
Town lots.....	202,850 00
Railroad property.....	57,180 00
Total real estate.....	\$8,095,100 00
PERSONAL.	
Horses.....	\$322,230 00
Asses and jennets.....	6,790 00
Mules.....	117,550 00
Cattle.....	362,070 00
Sheep.....	10,345 00
Hogs.....	71,220 00
Money, notes and bonds.....	452,000 00
All other personal property.....	610,285 00
Banks and corporations.....	412,470 00
Total personal property.....	\$2,265,060 00

Otis W. Smith's stock of drugs will be moved to the southeast corner of Fifth and Engineer streets on or about February 1st

House and Grounds Wanted.

I want to rent a house, with ground enough for poultry raising. Address A. F., DEMOCRAT office.

Run Over

At the corner of Fifth and Ohio street and try the latest salted peanuts. CANDY PALACE.

Has Arrived.

The best hair cutter in the city, Try him at the Alamo barber shop, 112 West Third street.

A SURGEON'S KNIFE

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CHALLENGES CREEDON.

English Middleweight Wants to Fight For \$1,000 a Side.

Ted Pritchard, the English middleweight, has announced his willingness to fight Dan Creedon at 11 stone for \$1,000 a side and the largest purse offered, the contest to take place in England.

Pritchard was beaten by Frank Craig recently and Creedon has defeated the latter twice. According to this line, Pritchard would have as much chance with Creedon as he had with Craig, who whipped him in a punch.

Creedon leaves St. Louis for Galveston, Tex., January 10, to meet Herman Bernau on the 19th inst. Bernau is the Texas heavyweight whom Steve O'Donnell put out in three rounds last week. In a letter to Creedon O'Donnell says Bernau is a big, strong, shifty fellow, who can punch hard, and that he (Creedon) had better not underestimate him too much. However, there is no danger of this, as Dan is working hard and will be ready to set a warm pace for Bernau when they come together.

Holiday Rates.

December 22d, 23d, 24th, and 31st, 1894, and January 1st, 1895, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Co. will sell tickets to local points within 200 miles at popular rates, tickets good returning until January 2d, 1895. For further information apply to

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To try a good hot cup of Walter Baker & Co.'s Breakfast Cocoa. It will be served free until Saturday night at 10 p. m., at the following stores:

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We have a large sum of money to lend on farms and central city property. Call on or address A. P. Morey, 410 Ohio street, Sedalia, Mo.

The Secretary Resigns.

Mr. E. H. Fulton has resigned as secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., but his successor will not be appointed for the present.

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3 lb California Peaches.....	.15¢
3 lb California Apricots.....	.15¢
7 lbs Rolled Oats.....	.25¢
California Dried Peas, Peaches and Apricots, per pound.....	.10¢
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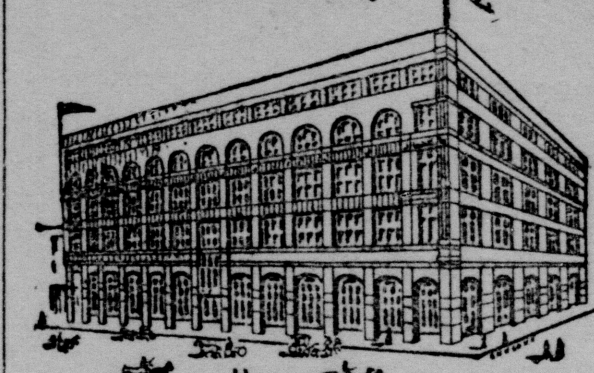
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RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Going East.	Going West.
Arrive. Depart.	Arrive. Depart.
No. 4:10 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	No. 3:10 p.m. 3:40 p.m.
No. 2:12 p.m. 12:50 p.m.	No. 5:35 p.m. 3:40 p.m.
No. 4:11 p.m. 12:01 a.m.	No. 1:35 p.m. 3:30 p.m.
No. 8:12 a.m. 12:45 a.m.	Local Freight 6:30 a.m.

LEXINGTON BRANCH.
No. 102 arrives 10:30 a.m. No. 103 departs 5:50 a.m.
No. 104 arrives 10:30 p.m. No. 101 departs 3:45 p.m.
No. 108 Local Frt. 3 p.m. No. 107 Local Frt. 10:50 a.m.

M., K. & T.

Going North and East.	Going South.
Arrive. Depart.	Arrive. Depart.
No. 3:25 a.m. 8:45 a.m.	No. 3:55 a.m. 9:15 a.m.
No. 4:70 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	No. 1:55 p.m. 7:15 p.m.

PERSONAL.

Wilson & Ittel, fashionable tailors. Fred Buske is home from Kansas City.

Will Jolly left this morning for Versailles.

Mrs. Roberti Lster is visiting at the state capital.

Professor Billings made a trip to Ottumwa today.

Judge W. S. Shirk is home from the state capital.

Tony Honkomp returned from Boonville last night.

Sam Fuller, the reinsman, visited Higginsville last evening.

John Mercurio departed for Jefferson City at noon today.

George B. Dent was a passenger to Jefferson City at noon today.

Mrs. P. F. Tarwater returned to St. Joseph yesterday afternoon.

Ernest Lamy left last evening for Kansas and the Indian territory.

J. West Goodwin came home from the state capital this morning.

M. B. Coleman was a passenger to Kansas City yesterday afternoon.

Ed Nicholson and wife are the guests of relatives at Jefferson City.

James Spencer is mingling with the merchants of Deepwater today.

Dr. S. K. Crawford came home from the state capital this morning.

W. H. Cooper, of Boonville, is in the city today, a guest at Siche's.

Andy Gardella visited Clinton this morning and will return tonight.

H. D. Thieman, the Concordia banker, and wife, were at Kaiser's today.

Mr. Walter Letts and children returned last evening from a visit at Hannibal.

Chas. Blandin, after a two weeks' visit at home, returned to St. Louis last night.

W. C. Thompson, the St. Louis drug drummer, went to Clinton this morning.

Mrs. Ida Todd, of Kansas City, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Reynolds, here.

Mrs. P. G. Stafford is home from Chicago, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Hendrix.

R. M. Quigley, of St. Louis, who is contesting the will of his father, W. B. Quigley, is at Siche's.

John R. Owens returned to St. Joseph last evening, after having spent a portion of the holidays here.

John Delong went west on Missouri Pacific train No. 1 last evening, Nebraska being his destination.

Theo. H. Fisher, who has been laid up for several months with sore eyes, was able to visit his office this morning.

A. L. Dickman, "The New Jeweler," left this morning for a few days' visit with Pilot Grove and Blackwater friends.

Dr. W. S. Penquite, of Lamonte, and Dr. O. P. Kernodle, of Knobnoster, are attending the meeting of the Medical society today.

R. W. Gailey and wife, of Garnett, Kas., returned home last evening, after a pleasant visit here with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Johns, jr.

Mr. Oscar Thomas and wife returned last night from Fulton, where they had been visiting his parents. His sister, Miss Mattie Thomas, accompanied him home.

County Clerk-Elect R. N. Lower is at the bedside of his daughter, Miss Corinne, in Lexington. She is a student at Elizabeth Aull seminary and is bedfast with pneumonia.

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Extra weight White or Gray Blankets worth \$3.25, now \$2.50 a pair.

Large size home made Comforts worth \$2.00, now \$1.60.

Winter weight Underwear for 23c, 48c, 73c, 98c and up.

Ladies' and Children's Woolen Hose at 7½c, 12½c, 19c, 23c and upward.

Ladies' late style Jackets at \$5.00, up to \$20.00.

Ice Wool Shawls at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and upwards.

Remnants

Of Wool Dress Goods, remnants of Gingham and Domestic, remnants of Shirtings and Sheetings, remnants of Towelings and Table Linens, remnants of Laces and Embroideries; in short, remnants from all over the house on sale this week at prices away below the actual cost.

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A MORNING SENSATION.

It Occurred on Third and Ohio Streets at 3 O'clock A. M.

The screams of two young women at Third and Ohio streets, at 3 o'clock this morning, caused numerous windows in that vicinity to be raised and sordid inquiries made as to "What's the matter?"

Officer Raiffeissen, who is doing duty in the residence portion of the city, was the unintentional cause of all the trouble.

He had found two women walking along Prospect street, a few minutes before 3 o'clock, carrying a large satchel, and determined to shadow the couple, thinking it possible they were midnight prowlers.

He followed them down Prospect street to Third, and thence east to a point opposite the Alamo building, at which time he was probably thirty feet behind them.

"Stop there," he commanded, "I am an officer!" These few words caused all of the trouble. The women threw the valise into the street and then set up a yell that aroused the natives.

The women ran hastily to Siche's, where they sought refuge, and Officer Raiffeissen grabbed the discarded valise, expecting to find it filled with stolen goods.

The explanation came a few minutes later. The women were going to the depot to catch the early morning train for Kansas City and were carrying their satchel. The officer's command had frightened them and hence the sensation.

Sheriff Porter's Error.

Ex-Judge Harry Conway came down from Lamonte this morning in response to a telegram from Sheriff Porter, saying that he was wanted here on official business.

On arrival, however, the judge was surprised to learn that the old county court, which passed out of existence last Monday, had been called together to pass upon the sanity of J. M. Stafford. Sheriff Porter was apprised of his error and the case will be passed upon by the new court, Judge Connor presiding.

A Sedalia Editor Weds.

W. H. Carter, colored, who is editor, proprietor and manager of the Sedalia Weekly Times, was married last night to Miss Mattie Venable, of this city, of this city.

A bridal trip was dispensed with, owing to pressing journalistic duties requiring "Jumbo's" presence in the city at this time.

Col. Dalton Here.

Col. Richard Dalton, surveyor of the port of St. Louis, looking hale and hearty, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, and was the guest of Postmaster Hart over night.

Found Her Not Guilty.

Patsy Jackson, charged with having assaulted Mrs. Morgan Brown, both of whom are colored, was acquitted in Justice Fisher's court by a jury today.

Will Organize a Lodge.

On the 12th inst. a camp of Woodmen of the World will be organized at Beaman with fifteen charter members.

Rev. Wade's Father Dead.

Information was received here today of the death of Rev. J. G. Wade's father at Nevada last night.

For Sale—Cheap.

Comparatively new bedroom set, at bottom figures. Call at 504 West Broadway.

10 barrels fancy Winesap apples at Candy Palace.

THE ENGINEERS.

Handsomely Remembered by the Ladies Last Night.

The members of Wm. O'Herin Division, No. 517, B. of L. E., received a very pleasant surprise last night in the shape of a visit from the ladies of Enterprise Lodge, No. 15, Ladies' Auxiliary to the B. of L. E.

After being introduced by Mr. N. McDonald, Mrs. Wm. Costin, on behalf of the ladies, presented the division with a most magnificent set of regalia, and, in addition, a handsome set of reversible badges.

Mr. P. M. Betts suitably replied on behalf of the engineers, and after a very enjoyable hour was spent the ladies took their departure, bearing with them the heartfelt thanks of the knights of the throttle.

Suits made to order from \$18 up at T. A. Bickle's, 309 West Second.

EVERLASTING BEN BOLT.

Dr. English, Its Author, Festered Half to Death by Its Omnipresence.

One sometimes gets too much of a good thing. Certainly Dr. Thomas Dunn English has got enough of "Ben Bolt," and people the world over know it to be a good thing. The author of this famous ballad is a member of congress from Essex county, New Jersey. He lives in Newark, but is often seen trudging along Broadway.

Though well along in years he is as spry and his intellect is as keen as ever. Still he is pestered not a little by the fact that persons constantly allude to him as the author of "Ben Bolt." It's use in "Tribby" has made it more bothersome than ever to Dr. English.

Said he: "Why, I was assured by one member of the house that his wife had won him years ago by the pretty and pathetic manner in which she had sung 'Ben Bolt' to him. Another told me that, like Dr. Coan in the Sandwich Islands, his mother had sung him to sleep with 'Ben Bolt,' and, to cap the climax, I was introduced to a lady who had been christened 'Alice Ben Bolt.'"

"Who was the lady, doctor?" "She was the daughter of General Pickett of Confederate fame."

"Whenever I got into a mood of indignation at some legislation adverse to my views," he went on in his musical way, "and expressed my indignation in strong and perhaps emphatic terms, some of the members would clap me on the back and sing: 'Don't you remember sweet Alice Ben Bolt? Sweet Alice, whose hair was so brown.'"

"This would put me in a rage, 'Confound it!' I have often said, 'I begin to wish that either 'Ben Bolt' or I had never been born.'"

Quick Work.

A Manchester packing company had occasion to telegraph to their manager at Victoria, British Columbia, and the sending of the message and the reply only occupied ninety seconds. They state that this is the record. It has never been beaten or equaled in the annals of telegraphic history. The total distance by the wires, out and return, is 13,000 miles.

South American Fishing.

In South American waters mullet are taken in enormous quantities by boats which go out with wire baskets at the bows filled with blazing pitch-pine. For the purpose in view, the craft is so loaded as to bring the gunwale on one side down nearly to a level with the water, and the fish, attracted by the light, jump on board by hundreds.

The Homeopathic System.

A recent appointment before the medical examining board of Texas was asked: "What is histology?" "Histology is the history of medicine." "What system of medicine do you practice?" "The Vanderbilt and St. Louis systems, and sometimes the homeopathic system." "What is the homeopathic system, as you call it?" "Sweatin' the patient."

STOPPED THE BABY'S CRY.

A Bachelor Brings His Knowledge of Human Nature into Play.

A bachelor is not usually accredited with much knowledge about the proper treatment of children; but sometimes they step in where angels—thats is, the mothers of the children—fail to tread. A well-known man about town, who is pretty well on in years, and not very fond of children, stopped in to see a married sister the other day and found her trying to amuse her little boy of about 5 years. Not long after he arrived she stepped out of the room to attend to some household matter or other, leaving him alone with the child. The latter eyed him dubiously for some minutes. He was a spoiled child if ever there was one, and he had no idea of making promiscuous acquaintances. The bachelor tried to make the little one laugh, but all he got for his antics was a sour look. Finally, without warning, the child burst out crying. Here was a quandary to be sure. He didn't dare to pick the boy up and soothe him. His attempts in a verbal line were dismal failures. What should he do? Finally a thought struck him. He looked at the crying youngster and the crying youngster looked at him through his tears. He was evidently much pleased with the impression he was making.

"Cry louder," said he.

The child obeyed.

"Louder yet," urged the bachelor.

A yell went up that would have done credit to an Indian.

"Cry louder still," insisted the man, and the boy did his best to obey.

"Louder!" fairly howled the uncle.

"I won't snapped the infant, and he shut up his mouth with a click and was quiet for the rest of the day.

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"Cry louder still," insisted the man, and the boy did his best to obey.

"Louder!" fairly howled the uncle.

"I won't snapped the infant, and he shut up his mouth with a click and was quiet for the rest of the day.

"Cry louder," said he.

The child obeyed.

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J. D. HAIL DRY GOODS CO.

The Plain English of It.

There is a new tariff in the air. Its operation certainly affects some prices. The sooner any new condition is met the better. Congress declares that we have paid too high a duty on many articles of merchandise and must hereafter either make cheaper at home or buy abroad where they are made for less. We don't like the alternative—but what's the use debating the inevitable.

The way to resume is to resume! Therefore without waiting we put ourselves as far as possible on the new tariff basis, shutting our eyes to the disagreeable rebates, made necessary by the new conditions, we

*Reduce and Reduce
To the New
Tariff Basis.*

This store is to its patrons, like an insurance company, protecting them against paying too much, and from some old time bad business practices. It shall be our present care to not allow any mystification of the new tariff regulations, by urging off or over-advertising present stock, but simply start business all over again on the 1895 tariff, and shall take pains to see that our customers get all there is in it from the start.

Woolen goods are affected most. Who ever heard of a heavy Scarlet Twilled Flannel selling for 12½c, or a 5 oz. Scarlet Twilled Flannel selling for 19c? You would more likely expect to pay 25c or 35c for those grades. And 19c for Skirting Flannels that sold three days ago at 35c seems out of the question, but is nevertheless true. With all other Flannels at similar reductions.

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Don't a 10-4 all-wool White Blanket at \$3 the pair, and a 10-4 extra heavy, (5 lbs.) all-wool Blanket at \$4.25 the pair surprise you? The new conditions make this possible.

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The choice of the entire stock of Children's Wool Stockings, in all sizes, that were 25c to 35c, now 15c the pair.

\$2.00 Union Suits, \$1.39.
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\$1.50 Vests and Pants, 98c.
\$1.25 Scarlet Vests and Pants, 75c.
\$1.00 Jersey, Natural and Camel's Hair, 75c.
50c Cashmere Underwear, 39c.

DRESS GOODS.

Face the music—What else can merchants do? We stand up instantly and cut off old prices to the tariff pattern. We think it fairest to our patrons, and are also availing ourselves of an opportunity of showing this community that this store is first always to meet a condition that is an advantage to a buying public.

The entire line of 50 inch \$1.00 Serges from now on at 75c.
20 pieces of 48 inch Serges at 50c.
All 50c Novelty Dress Goods at 39c.
\$10, \$8.50, and \$8 Pattern Dresses for \$5.00.
\$1.00 Covert Cloths, 50 inches wide, 75c.

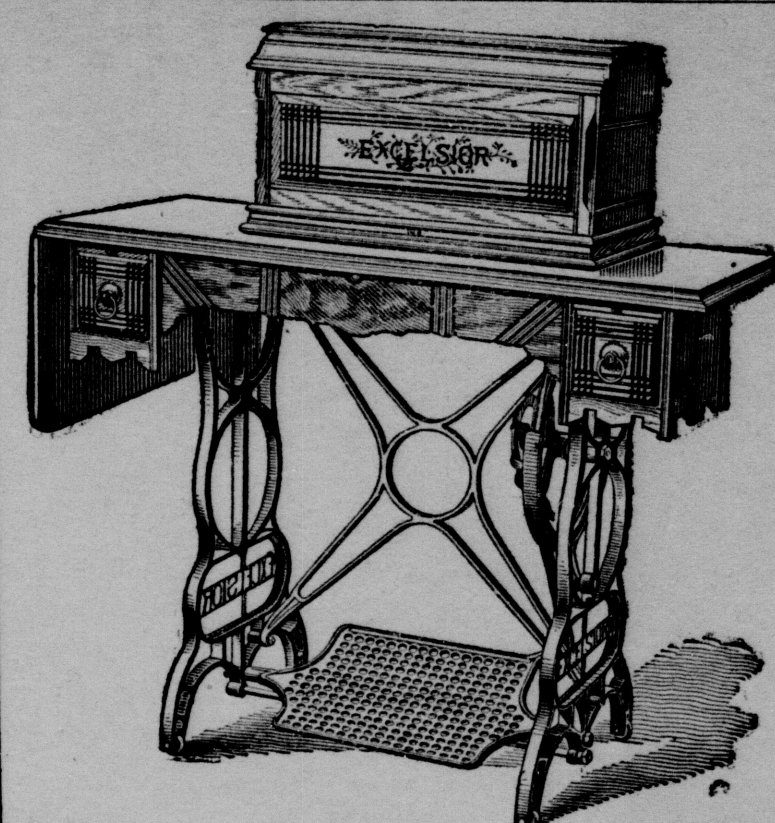
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World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma



We Have The Goods, Call and See Them.

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He Turns Down His Old Enemies Again.

HIS SLATE GOES THROUGH

The Caucus Nominations for Officers of the General Assembly—The House Organized.

Special to the Democrat.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.—The preliminary work of organizing the general assembly ended with the party caucuses last night and for once, at least, the expected has happened. Filley is on top! The St. Louis boss pulled the strings and the boys danced to any tune that was given them. Filley does nothing by halves; he rules with a rod of iron and the drubbing he gave the "silks" last night is a warning of the fate that awaits any republican leader who dares show the least independence or who refuses to bow to the yoke.

Both Bothwell and Bittinger submitted gracefully when they saw that there was not even a chance to prolong the contest, but it was easy to see that they felt humiliated that an outsider should manipulate and control the organization of the house of which they are members.

The democratic house caucus met in the senate chamber last night and organized by electing Hon. H. S. Julian, of Kansas City, chairman and re-electing Dr. W. N. Graham secretary. The following nominations for officers of the house were then made, the only contest being over the speakership: Davidson, of Marion, Moore, of Mississippi, and Drabell, of St. Louis, were placed in nomination. Drabell's name was dropped at the third ballot and on the fourth ballot Davidson was chosen by a vote of 27 to 26. Lon Luther, of Lamonte, was nominated for chief clerk; Sid J. Roy for assistant chief clerk; Wesley M. McMurray for enrolling clerk; D. C. McClung for engrossing clerk; J. G. Barnett for sergeant-at-arms; W. S. Rex for doorkeeper; Ben S. Mitchell for official reporter and Rev. Wm. M. Prottzman for chaplain.

The democratic caucus of the senate organized by electing Lieutenant Governor O'Meara chairman, Senator Morton secretary and Senator Bledsoe sergeant-at-arms. The caucus was held behind closed doors and it was nearly 11 o'clock when the nominations for the senate organization were announced. The nominations were as follows:

President pro tem., Senator G. T. Dunn of Lincoln county; secretary, Cornelius Roach of Jasper county; assistant secretary, Robert E. Lozier of Carroll county; sergeant-at-arms, J. T. Wells of Bollinger county; chaplain, Rev. C. G. Davis of Cole county; official reporter, William M. Smith of St. Louis; doorkeeper, U. A. McBride of Johnson county; folder, Charles Allison of Henry county; pages, Masters Billy Jones of Callaway county; William Martin of St. Louis and Jack Gray of St. Louis. The caucus remained in executive session until a late hour.

The republican senatorial caucus convened in the engrossing room of the senate. Senator Bushe, of St. Louis, was elected chairman, and Senator Davidson, of Harrison, secretary. The following persons were nominated for official positions: President pro tem, James O'Bannon of Dallas; E. D. Morris of Grundy; secretary, Charles D. Curtis, of Newton; assistant secretary, Lieutenant Walter Sander of St. Louis, official reporter; A. L. Evans of Kirksville, sergeant-at-arms; Joseph Flick of Cole, doorkeeper; P. W. Wills of St. Joseph, folder; chaplain, A. J. Bradley of St. Louis.

It was to the republican house caucus which met at 8 o'clock last night that the greatest interest attached, but even that did not furnish first-class amusement. It was flat. The silks surrendered. The opposing candidates withdrew from the race and Russell was nominated by acclamation. The other nominations were Albert Griffin for chief clerk; W. G. Kitchen for assistant chief clerk; Harry L. Eads for engrossing clerk; John P. Collier for enrolling clerk; G. S. Pountain for door-

keeper; J. W. Eldredge for sergeant-at-arms.

The House Organized.

The house of representatives was formally organized today by the election of the Filley slate—the product of the republican caucus—as the permanent officers.

Hitch in the Senate.

When the senate met this morning four of the senators—Walker, Goodykoontz, Bledsoe and Morrissey—were absent, leaving the senate a tie and preventing the election of permanent officers and necessitating an adjournment until two o'clock this afternoon.

ATTEMPTED RAPE.

Two Little Girls Have a Narrow Escape from a Brute.

Ben Wayland, aged 19 years, was arraigned before Justice Chase at Marshall Tuesday, says the Democrat-News, charged with making exposure of his person and indecent proposals to two little girls, Zula Easley, aged 13 years, and Annie Easley, aged 15 years. Zula Easley was visiting her sister, Mrs. Lige Weekly, and about 1 p. m. was returning from taking dinner to a sick neighbor's when approached by the boy, Wayland.

He made an indecent exposure of his person and made improper proposals to her. The little girls, frightened almost to death, ran to her sister's house and fell into the door in a fainting condition. She finally composed herself enough to tell her brother-in-law, Mr. Weekly, what had occurred.

The case was set for trial Thursday at 10 a. m. He was sent to jail. Ben Wayland was released from the reform school at Boonville a short time ago, where he was sent for one year for stealing.

A CLOSE CALL.

Two Little Children Rescued from a Burning Building.

The two hose companies were called to the home of Henry Fisher, north of the Franklin school, Wednesday night, by an alarm of fire that had been turned in about 8 o'clock.

A Christmas tree that had been permitted to stand, and which was ornamented with inflammable material, caught fire, and for a time it was feared the house was doomed, but it was extinguished with the loss of only about \$100, which is covered by insurance.

During the excitement Henry Steffens, aged 15 years, rushed into the house to rescue a little 5-year-old brother and a 6-year-old sister, who was asleep in the parlor, and in doing so his right hand was quite badly burned.

Starving in St. Louis.

There is great suffering and privation among the poor of St. Louis. This is especially true in the Third police precinct. Many families, mostly foreigners, are in destitute circumstances. In the rear of 1426 N. Ninth st. the police found Frank Bolaski, a Pole, in a miserable tenement, lying sick without covering enough to keep out the cold. His wife and five children were in a starving condition, without a mouthful of food nor a particle of fire in the house. Bolaski was taken to the City hospital and the family reported to the board of charities.

Sheriff Porter's Error.

Ex-Judge Harry Conway came down from Lamonte Wednesday in response to a telegram from Sheriff Porter, saying that he was wanted here on official business. On arrival, however, the judge was surprised to learn that the old county court, which passed out of existence last Monday, had been called together to pass upon the sanity of J. M. Stafford. Sheriff Porter was apprised of his error and the case will be passed upon by the new court, Judge Connor presiding.

Will Practice Law.

Judge Thomas P. Hoy, who retired Wednesday as probate judge, will engage in the practice of law, with an office at No. 410 Ohio street, in the same rooms with J. H. Rodas.

Broke His Neck.

Peter Trimble, a farmer living near Montrose, fell from a straw stack Wednesday, breaking his neck. Trimble was a member of Quantrell's noted band during the war.

A JOB FOR SHELBY.

He May Be Sent to the Indian Territory.

WHAT MAJOR DOANE SAYS

The Department at Washington Reposes Special Confidence in the Old Commander.

Deputy United States Marshal Nearman, of Neosho, was in Kansas City yesterday, and stated, in conversation with some friends, that last week he met Major Doane, a special Indian agent, who was just back from Washington.

He stated that while there he learned that the department at Washington was seriously considering the advisability of redistricting some parts of the Indian territory, and putting the eastern part of the country, where the outlaws and thieves are congregating, into the district presided over by Marshal Jo Shelby. The matter was being favorably considered, and it was likely to be done at once, and the work of going after the gang and cleaning the territory out would then be done at once.

The department reposes special confidence in the wisdom and integrity and ability of General Shelby to complete the matter very easily and rid the country of the Cooks and Daltons and other robbers, real or mythical, says the Kansas City Journal, and restore the reign of law and the rights of the citizens down there. There is great chagrin felt at Washington, according to Major Doane, over the con-

HE READ NOVELS.

Then Changed His Name and Ran Away From Home.

A searching party, headed by E. F. Thurman, of Barnesville, Macen county, arrived at Fayette Tuesday in search of Mr. Thurman's 14-year-old son, Joe, who had taken one of his father's horses and left home, apparently without provocation, several days ago. Mrs. Thurman was almost distracted with grief and the father also seemed considerably worried.

Young Thurman was a constant reader of trashy dime novels, and such literature led him to forsake a good home. He had changed his name to Cosby after leaving his neighborhood. He was located at a farm house north of Fayette, where he had hired out, the romance of traveling alone in a strange country having worn off. His father took him home.

TREASURE TROVE.

Two Boys Gather in \$606 from an Old Stump.

Muskegon, Mich., is contemplating an extensive raid on stumps surrounding that city. While a number of boys were skating near Wood avenue bridge last Monday afternoon they became chilled and went ashore to make a fire in a stump.

The thing would not blaze well and Willie Peterson, aged 12 years, got a stick and proceeded to poke the fire. Out rolled a number of what the boy thought was washers, and he called Wecko Carlson, aged 17, to examine the find.

The latter discovered they were \$20 gold pieces, and when added up amounted to \$600. Some other

HANGED BY A MOB.

Nebraska's Defaulting County Treasurer Missing.

EASILY EVADED THE LAW

But a Mob of Indignant Citizens Called Him to Account for His Crimes.

St. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 2.—A special to the Republic from O'Neill, Neb., says:

The defaulting treasurer of Holt county, Barrett Scott, is supposed to have been hanged by a mob last night.

He was captured about midnight in a lonely part of the county north of this city. He was returning with his wife, baby, hired man, named John Schmidt, and a Miss McWharther, from a trip to relatives about thirteen miles from O'Neill, when six men sprang from the roadside where they had been concealed, and, covering the carriage with Winchester, ordered Scott to surrender. Scott seized the reins and attempted to drive over the men. The masked men fired into the carriage, killing the horses and shooting Scott in the neck and wounding Miss McWharther, though not seriously. The first party was joined by a larger force, which had been placed across the road further on to intercept the carriage had it escaped the first volley.

Scott and Schmidt were taken from the vehicle, blindfolded and thrown into a wagon, and the ladies were told to go on. Today Schmidt returned. He had been taken to a sod house in the northwest part of the county with Scott. Schmidt was released with the injunction to get out of the country. It is believed that Scott has been hanged, as the farmers of the county are incensed over his work.

Scott's default as county treasurer of Holt county, his flight to Mexico, his subsequent arrest, the strong fight made against his extradition, his return in irons, incarceration, trial, conviction, sentence, appeal and release on bonds two weeks ago, have been told at length from time to time since a year ago last August, when the discovery of his criminality was first made public.

Scott's troubles began in January, 1892, at the close of his first term, when he was asked to allow the commissioners see the cash that his books showed to be in his hands. Scott did not have the money on hand, there being but \$7,348 in the vault when the commissioners made their first visit. They then gave Scott ten days in which to make the showing, and money was secured from Omaha for that purpose.

When the borrowed money was shipped out the next day, and the board learned of it, and that \$75 was paid for the use of it, an investigation was started, and Scott was removed from office.

It was ascertained by the commissioners in June of that year, some time after the beginning of litigation, that a number of sureties on Scott's bonds were transferring their property and he was notified that he must secure additional bond. This he failed to do. When the board met again it declared the office vacant and appointed R. J. Hayes, a republican, to take the place in June, 1892. Scott refused to surrender and Hayes began mandamus proceedings to get possession of the office, but the case went up to the district court, where it was hung up for a year awaiting the decision of the supreme court in the case started a few months before, and it was not definitely acted on until after Scott had gone to Mexico.

Judge Marshall, of the Fremont district, was invited by Judge Kincaid to pass upon it and he declared Scott removed from office, practically confirming the voluntary abdication of the defaulter.

When the Holt county bank failed on June 2, 1892, Scott asserted that there was about \$40,000 of the county funds tied up there, but after statements were made by the bank officials he gradually modified the amount to \$20,000. The statements of the bank examiner and receiver were to the effect that the sum was but \$14,000, and of this amount \$7,000 was de-

posited by Scott to his private account. After Scott had been jailed at O'Neill, legal machinery was set in motion to effect his release. Habeas corpus proceedings failed. His bail was originally fixed at \$18,000, but was later raised by Judge Kincaid to \$75,000. This amount was asserted to be excessive, but the court refused to lower it.

Recourse to the supreme court gave no relief, and finally, after Scott had been nominally in jail for several months, he was liberated on bail. His case was taken to Antelope county on a change of venue, and the trial last September resulted in his conviction and sentenced to five years' imprisonment. Pending an appeal his bond was fixed at \$70,000. This he could not secure, and the matter was taken to the state supreme court. On December 6 that body decided that the bond was excessive and reduced the amount from \$70,000 to \$40,000. In a day or two Scott secured the necessary bondsmen and was released on bail. Upon his release Scott returned to Holt county.

A JAIL DELIVERY.

Five Prisoners Escape at St. Joseph—One Recaptured.

St. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 2.—A daring and successful jail delivery was made yesterday morning and five prisoners regained their liberty. Patrick Crowe, charged with train robbery; Joe Dusty, colored, under sentence of death for assault in Buchanan county, James Owens, murderer, from Atchison county; Ira Carter, charged with cashing a money order belonging to another and William Fulmer, serving a term for petty larceny, all escaped from the jail by sawing the locks off the door and cutting through three heavy iron bars over a window, afterwards descending to the ground by a rope. Thomas Hickman, a trusty, was found bound and gagged in his cell this morning, and says Owens, Crowe and Curner presented pistols at his head and forced him to yield. Saws, files and a monkey wrench were found in Crowe's cell, also a note to the sheriff wishing him a happy New Year. Collusion of outside parties and possibly of some inside is suspected.

Joe Dusty, the rapist, was captured at 2:30 this morning. He was found in a room over Charley Phelps' saloon, on Francis streets. When found he was in bed. The officers secured information that led them to believe that he was at Phelps' place, and at the time mentioned Officers Shea, Martin, Frans, Hayes, Foulks and Roach raided the place. Dusty was taken to the police station and subsequently turned over to Sheriff Adriano. He was met by a colored girl yesterday afternoon, which led to his detection.

Judge Dalby Injured.

Judge John N. Dalby sustained painful injuries at his farm Tuesday afternoon. He had left his buggy to open a gate, when his horse started off. The judge ran after the steed and attempted to jump into the rear end of the vehicle, when the animal gave a lunge forward and the judge was hurled to the ground with violence. His face was bruised and lacerated, a wound was inflicted on his forehead and one of his arms was injured, but Dr. Henry Evans says the case is not at all serious.

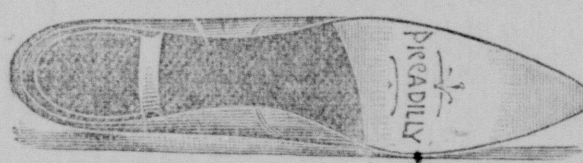
A Train Load of Hollanders.

The Missouri Pacific road Tuesday brought in a special train of seventeen cars, fifteen of freight and two coach loads of passengers, from Hospers, Ia. This was a colony of Hollanders, the first out of western territory, destined for the south in the interest of Arkansas lands. The excursion was controlled by Selig and Stransky, immigration agents. The train was decorated with streamers bearing a number of inscriptions. Other colonies will follow.

Death of Landy Baugh.

Landy Baugh, living nine miles southeast of Sedalia, died at 4 o'clock Wednesday, of remittent fever. He was aged 25 years and leaves a widow and one child. The burial service was held at Flat Creek Baptist church at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

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tinued and outrageous manner in which the deputies pile up costs for hunting the men, and the regularity with which they do not find them, and for that reason the department is rapidly becoming of the opinion that a change of officers is necessary.

In this connection the fitness of General Shelby was mentioned for the work of cleaning the country down there, and the recommendation was generally accepted with favor, and the action was now liable to be taken at once.

General Shelby was asked concerning the matter by a representative of the Journal yesterday afternoon, and stated that he had heard the rumor, but nothing else. He was not in a position to state what he would do other than that he was prepared to enforce the laws of the country and carry out the orders of the court, when made to him, in any matter placed in his hands. Further than that he would not discuss the matter.

The fitness of General Shelby for the position was generally conceded by all who heard the rumor, and the remark was made that the gangs down there would find a man after them who would press the fight harder than any man in the work, and give them a chase that would speedily wipe them out. General Shelby's reputation as a man of determination and dauntless courage is national in extent.

coins brought the total up to \$606, and that night each boy had \$303 in the bank to his credit. The coins were green with age, the latest mint stamp being 1862. No clue as to how the money was placed in the stump.

Fell Into the Fire.

A. G. Steele, an aged and wealthy farmer of Jackson county, met death in a horrible manner Monday evening near his home east of Independence. While burning brush he was suddenly stricken and pitched forward into the fire. Failing to return home at the usual hour a search was instituted, which resulted in the finding of the charred remains. The deceased was 85 years of age, and was a grandson of the famous Daniel Boone.

Col. Meyer Very Ill.

Information has been received here that Col. Ferdinand Meyer, of this city, is dangerously ill in St. Louis with pneumonia. In company with his wife, he left for there before Christmas to spend the holidays, but was stricken down with disease, and relatives and friends are greatly alarmed at his condition.

Sent to the Asylum.

Miss Lizzie Shelton, aged 20, of Boonville, has been sent to the Nevada asylum, crazy with the idea that she poisoned herself, and with an insatiable appetite for raw eggs to counteract the drugs.

THE SLATER BANKS.

The Situation Much Worse Than First Reported.

ROTTEN TO THE VERY CORE

It Is Believed that Ex-Cashier Fields Is In Hiding in Mexico and Is Perfectly Safe.

The affairs of the Citizens' Stock bank of Slater grow worse the more they are probed, and the citizens are appalled at the developments.

It is now positively known that the stockholders will receive nothing. The amount the depositors will receive can not yet be estimated, but the belief is growing that it will not be 10c on the dollar. But little can be found out about the transactions of the bank, so crooked was the cashier's method of keeping books. There is no record of the amount of indebtedness of the bank, no record of the notes that were up for collateral.

The assignee, C. P. Storts, and his attorneys are astonished at the number of notes that have been put up in the various cities of which they are now receiving notice. They have heard of them from San Francisco to New York City. Fields had loaned large sums of money to men who were worth nothing.

When the assignee took charge of the bank there was only \$2,000 in its vaults. Liabilities to the amount of \$600,000 are known at this time, with notes still coming in. The stock book has been kept in such a haphazard manner it is impossible to tell who is a stockholder.

No record has been kept of any transfers of stock. Mead Bros. and the Mead Mercantile company, which are one and the same, owe the bank \$101,000, and they are insolvent. Notes signed by about six men aggregate \$423,000. Those signed by Joseph Fields as an individual and as a bank officer foot up about \$264,330. Those signed by W. B. Storts individually aggregate \$107,800; by Jerome Eubank, \$76,600; H. P. Storts & Co., \$34,000. The official liabilities are \$589,810; assets, \$703,602.

The disappearance last Friday morning of Dr. Joe Fields, ex-cashier of the bank, who left ostensibly to visit his wife in Kansas City, who is quite ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. S. Mills, intensifies the excitement. It is believed he is safe in Mexico.

The official statement of the Slater Savings bank has not yet been made, but recent developments indicate it is in as bad condition as the other bank. It was organized in 1886 with a capital of \$50,000 and a surplus of \$15,000. When its doors closed after the Slater bank suspended there was \$456 in its vaults. It is said its liabilities are in excess of \$300,000, and of this \$135,000 is alleged to be continuous paper, on which the bank realized and made no account on its books.

Speculation is assigned as the cause of the Slater failures. The banks there have been watched closely by St. Louis banks for a number of years past. However, this did not prevent certain alleged losses being sustained by the latter institutions. Reports are current that the St. Louis National, Merchants' and Boatmen's banks are creditors to the extent of \$35,000 in all. But the paper they are said to hold is so well secured that the loss will be light.

The Citizens' Stock bank building has been rented to parties from Mexico, Mo., who will open a bank as soon as books and stationery can be printed.

The Marshall Democrat-News publishes the assignee's statement in full, giving the assets of the failed Citizens' Stock bank and editorially says:

No apologist for the late Citizens' Stock bank of Slater will in the face of the assignee's report pretend to deny that it was the worst managed and most dextrously wrecked institution in the land. The bank has been practically broken for eighteen months and in justice to its depositors and stockholders it should have closed its doors long ago.

The report tells a tale that cannot be denied nor defended by anyone. Its cashier and a half dozen personal friends were allowed to draw large sums from it, and they gave each other as security. What they did with the money the Lord only knows. Then when the bank was staggering and in desperate straits they signed notes for immense sums and put them up as collateral for ridiculously small cash advances from other banks. The largest and most reckless game of

playing at finance was during the last days of the bank's existence, and it shows desperation pitiable in its agony if not puerile in judgment.

No such plunging by a country bank was ever known before, and the evil effects will be felt for years to come. Compared to this failure the Cordell wreck was mild and harmless.

COUNCIL UNDER SUSPICION.

Aldermen of Cartersville, Mo., Openly Accused of Accepting Bribes.

CARTHAGE, Mo., Dec. 29.—The citizens of Cartersville held a mass meeting Wednesday night to talk over the current rumor that a majority of the members of the council had accepted bribes from the Inter-urban Electric Railway company to keep all other proposed lines out of Cartersville, the council having refused to grant a franchise to the Fitch company, which had been trying for three months to secure the right to build from here to that place.

The meeting passed resolutions demanding that the Fitch company be fairly treated, and a committee of ten was appointed to draft a franchise which they will demand that the council shall pass. There is much indignation over the alleged boodling, and there is talk of a grand jury investigation.

TO HIDE CROOKEDNESS.

Oklahoma Court House Blaze Attributed to Corrupt County Officers.

PERRY, Ok., Dec. 29.—Great excitement exists at Stillwater over the burning of the county court house and records Thursday night. It is openly charged that one or more of the old county officers, who are to be displaced January 1, were responsible for the fire, to cover up crookedness for the past five years. It is expected that many arrests will be made. The loss of the records will nearly ruin the county.

CARNEGIE WAGES CUTS.

Skilled Workmen Must Accept Half Their Present Pay.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 29.—The scale for the ensuing year has been presented to the workmen at the upper and lower Union mills of the Carnegie Steel company in this city. It involves a general reduction in skilled labor—in some instances amounting to 50 per cent. Tonnage men have been reduced 5 and 10 cents per ton. Some of the workmen claim that the cut was equal to 50 per cent., or \$2 per day. The capacity of the two mills averages from twenty to sixty tons per day.

Wanted.

Two thousand ladies and gentlemen to call and inspect the new goods before they buy watches, clocks, diamonds, solid gold and filled rings, jewelry of the latest design, ten year guarantee. Gold filled watch chains, twenty years, gold filled cases and any movement you like, at bed-rock prices. These goods were bought direct from factory. A bargain for you at No. 207 West Main street.

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Holiday Rates.

December 22d, 23d, 24th, and 31st, 1894, and January 1st, 1895, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Co. will sell tickets to local points within 200 miles at popular rates, tickets good returning until January 2d, 1895. For further information apply to

H. L. BERRY,

Ticket Agent.

Stabbed in a Woman's Defense.

LARNED, Kansas, Dec. 29.—Yesterday afternoon, at Hanson, Otto Schmidt stabbed Otto Long in the abdomen, inflicting a mortal wound. The affray was the result of insulting language used by Schmidt toward Anna Schultze, Long's sweetheart. Schmidt fled the country and has not been apprehended. The men are both leading young ranchmen.

Recovered His Horse.

The horse supposed to have been stolen from Smith Rissler, of Beaman, Thursday night, was found Saturday by the roadside between Sedalia and Beaman. It is now thought the animal was driven to Sedalia and then turned loose and started home by some one who desired to avoid a few miles' walk.

Traded Mules to Jeff Davis.

Wm. C. West, the oldest man in Audrain county, died Friday morning, aged 91 years, 10 months and 16 days. He drove the first stake when Mexico was laid off. He used to trade mules to Jeff Davis. He was quite well off financially.

IMPROVING ROADS.

How the Work Was Done in a New York Town.

THE WORK IS NOT COSTLY.

Citizens Along the Road Perform Much of the Labor—The Plan is Popular.

The road system of Canandaigua, N. Y., which is attracting so much attention just now among people interested in improving highways, says the Globe-Democrat, was begun after considerable opposition by the street commissioner of the town, Ira P. Cribb, in 1890, when the town board authorized an expenditure of \$2,000 for the purchase of a stone crusher and roller. During that year he succeeded in building one and one-fourth miles of road with the money remaining, after purchasing the necessary machinery. With this one and one-fourth miles of road as an object lesson the people were asked at the next annual town meeting for an appropriation of \$2,000 to continue the work. This amount was voted by a very small majority. With this sum between three and four miles of road was built. The people had now become thoroughly aroused and impressed with the benefits to be derived from stone roads, and it was determined to increase the appropriation at the next town meeting.

As the general statute permits but \$2000 to be raised in any one year by a town, a bill was prepared and forwarded to Albany, allowing the town to increase its annual appropriation to \$4000. This bill became a law, and the question was submitted to the people. The \$4000 was voted to the commissioner, 90 per cent of the ballots being in its favor. This sum is now raised annually, and the work is being pushed forward as speedily as possible. In building the road a highway tax is levied upon the taxable property of the town, as is done in all other towns in the state. The people living in each of the road districts are allowed to work out their road tax by drawing from adjacent fields cobblestones and bowlders and placing them in convenient piles by the side of the highway. When a sufficient quantity has been secured the commissioner brings the crusher to the pile, crushes the stone and places it on the road. In hauling broken stones from the crusher and placing it on the road the teams of the people along the highways are employed, the commissioner paying \$3.50 a day for each. In many cases these people who live along the line of the work in hand more than work out their taxes, while at the same time their land is cleared of loose stones, and they have a good road much sooner than they would if they only did the amount of work corresponding to their tax. The roads of Canandaigua are built 10 feet wide and 10 inches thick except in wet places where the stone is sometimes put down to a depth of 18 inches. They cost from \$400 to \$600 a mile, exclusive of the ordinary highway labor, or a total of about \$900 a mile. After a road has been built the people living along it are no longer assessed for the ordinary highway tax, and pay only their pro rata of the general tax.

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Transfers of Realty.

The following realty transfers were filed for record yesterday:

Joseph G. White and wife to Susan M. Baker, tract of land in section 3, township 45, range 21, \$1,000.

Emily J. Soleman to Mary Soleman, lots 18 and 20, block 11, Heard's second addition to Sedalia, \$400.

Wm. B. Wickel and wife to Robert S. Carr, lots 3 and 4, block 6, Hall's addition to Lamonte, \$400.

Robert S. Carr and wife to John

E. Fowler, lots 3 and 4, block 6, Hall's addition to Lamonte, \$400.

J. L. Wetzel to Louis B. Porter, lots 8 and 10, block 11, Hoff & Madan's second addition to Sedalia, \$1,200.

B. E. Henry to Marguerite Heck, 94 acres in section 23, township 44, range 20, \$1,550.

AN ATTORNEY UNDER FIRE.

Grave Charges Against the Chicago Official Before the Grand Jury.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—When the grand jury began its inquiry into the management of the state's attorney's office yesterday, Adolph Kraus, of the Times, retold at length the story of Mr. Kern's alleged misdeeds and oppression in office, and gave the names of many witnesses. Then he went into particulars, and stated positively that the state's attorney, through Assistant State's Attorney Bottum, had "compounded" a \$4,000 forfeit for a cash payment of \$1,300. He had the contract, signed by Assistant State's Attorney Bottum, to show for this allegation.

Assistant Chief of Police Kiple told of criminals whom he could never induce the state's attorney to bring to trial. No reason for the failure was given.

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ROBBED OF \$8,000.

A Treasurer Held Up and Thrown Into a Vault.

IS RESCUED BY HIS WIFE.

The Thief Escapes and There is Very Little Probability of Ever Capturing Him.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 29.—Just after County Treasurer Stafen, who was alone in his office, had opened the vault yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, and while he was carrying a tray of money to his desk, a tall man, without shoes, glided in and drawing a dagger forced him to drop the tray. Then the man struck Stafen a powerful blow on the head, rendering him unconscious, threw him into the vault, seized the cash in sight and escaped.

Mr. Stafen, who acted as her husband's assistant, spent yesterday at Cloverdale. On her return at 4 o'clock she learned that Stafen had not been seen by anyone during the day, and the office was locked. She went to the court house at once, had the door broken open and tried to open the vault, on the door of which there was a faint knocking. At first she could not remember the combination, but later she recalled her excited senses and the big door was finally opened. Stafen was found unconscious on the floor, but was soon revived.

A count of the money in the vault showed that the robber had secured nearly \$8,000. It is the belief of many that the job was done by parties living in Santa Rosa who are familiar with the county offices and knew just how to proceed to loot the treasury. Owing to the start the robber had, officers think the chances of finding him are rather few. There are many theories as to how the robber got into the office, but the most general belief is that he got into the office Thursday night and hid until the treasurer opened the vault and walked into it.

SEDALIA WANTS IT.

The Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home of Missouri.

The Sedalia W. R. C. is putting forth an earnest effort to secure the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home of Missouri, soon to be built somewhere within this state for the purpose of taking care of and giving more uniform attention to union soldiers of the late war and their respective wives.

A number of states of the union have soldiers' homes, and at Washington, D. C., a national home exists, but nowhere have arrangements been made to keep together an old and helpless soldier and his wife. An old soldier cannot accept shelter from any of the established soldiers' homes unless he casts aside or deserts his wife, who, perhaps, may be as helpless as he is, and may, by her unselfish devotion and loyalty,

have effectively aided the union cause, and the intention is to remedy this defect.

Final action on propositions submitted will be taken April 17th, 1895, at Macon, Mo. The association reserves the right to reject any and all propositions.

A BED ON FIRE.

Attempt to Burn Out a Colored Boarding House.

A bold attempt was made to burn out the colored boarding house a half block south of the square on Main street, run by Henry Davis, last night, says Saturday's Clinton Democrat.

Along about midnight Mrs. Davis heard a crackling sound, and on going into a down stairs bedroom at the rear of the house found the bed in flames and the room filled with smoke. She called to her husband, but when he tried to haul up a bucket of water at the well, he found the rope had been cut nearly through and lost the bucket. Tying on another one, he managed to get water and soon extinguished the flames.

The colored community is much incensed over the affair and chased a suspected individual, but failed to catch him. It seems the room was occupied by a colored woman who refuses to live with her husband and this is the third attempt of the sort at places where she has lived, one of which destroyed the house and all the contents.

MADELINE'S DENIALS.

The Breckinridge Scandal Heroine Replies to Recent Tales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Madeline Pollard last night made public the following as an answer to recent statements in regard to her:

I have not wanted to make a statement of any kind. I could not see that what I did was of interest to people generally. So I have tried to bear all that has been said of me as part of the punishment for my failure as a woman.

Within the past few days the impression has gone abroad that I am under an assumed name; that I am friendless and not sufficiently provided for, and that I am in Washington today. If ever a woman has friends, great and true—men and women—it is I. I will not believe that men refuse to give me my proper employment because of my broken life. Nearly half of America has wanted employment this year.

I am not going before the world in any capacity. I have no message to carry. I have asked a question with my life; it cannot be answered in a day. I have no theatrical friends. I have never been situated so I could have. Their world is far removed from mine. I live quietly in a private house with my brother and southern friends.

I do not believe there is a man or woman on earth who thinks there is money compensation for sorrow. I am sorry if, for any reason whatsoever, I am accused of realizing so little the enormous sorrow that overshadows my life. I am not under an assumed name. I have not been in any place where I was not well known. I do not mean to while I live. I have stained my dear father's people's name, and with the Christ-power I shall fight from under the stain.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Forty-One Persons Perish in the Flames.

A FESTIVAL HOLOCAUST.

The Overturning of a Lamp Causes a Catastrophe in an Oregon Village.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 29.—At Silver Lake, Lake county, Ore., an inland town 150 miles from telegraph or railroad, Christmas evening, nearly every person of the village assembled in Christman Bros.' hall to attend a Christmas tree festival.

While the festivities were at their height some one climbed on a bench to get a better view of what was going on. In doing so his head struck a lamp hanging from the ceiling, overturning it. The oil immediately caught fire and, everything in the room being dry and of an inflammable nature, the place was soon a mass of flames. Some one shouted, "Shut the door and keep quiet. It can be put out."

By this time the confusion was so great that people began scrambling in a wild endeavor to reach the door. Women and children were trampled under foot, and as there was only one exit to the hall, and the fire being near the door, many rushed headlong into the flames. In consequence forty-one persons were burned to death and sixteen badly injured. The dead are:

Mrs. John Buick and two children, Mrs. Owsley and two children, J. J. Buick and daughter, Mrs. Snelling, Mrs. Howard and two children, W. O. Hearst and wife, Mrs. Coshaw, Frank West, wife and two children; Ed Bowen, Miss McCauley, L. J. Labrie and child, Mrs. Ward and child, Mrs. U. F. Abshier, Frank Morning, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Nettie Williams and child, W. Clay Martin and wife, Robert Small, Mrs. Ella Ward and child, Frank Ross, mother and sister, Ira Hamilton, Mrs. Gus Schroeder and child.

Five of the injured are likely to die. They are: Mrs. T. J. Labrie, Robert Snelling and sister, and Edward Payne and son.

The building, a two story frame structure, contained Christman Brothers' store. On the first floor was the hall, which was rented for gatherings of this kind.

WHY HE SUICIDED.

Disappointment in Love Led to the Rash Act.

Further particulars have been learned relative to the suicide of Sterling Balew, a farmer, 21 years of age, who died at the home of Richard Estes, three miles east of Columbia, Friday morning, as chronicled in Sunday's DEMOCRAT.

It seems that disappointment in love was the cause of the act. Balew was in love with the daughter of Richard Estes, but his attentions were looked upon with disfavor, which was due to the eccentric conduct of Balew, who was believed by many to be insane.

Thursday night the Estes family were aroused by someone calling loudly at the front gate, and on investigating found Balew waiting there on horseback, who stated that he was dying from the effects of 60 grains of morphine administered by himself, and begged to be taken in.

This was done, though his story was disbelieved until an empty vial which had contained the poison was shown in evidence. Balew soon became unconscious and a physician was summoned, but emetics and the stomach pump were of no avail and he died at an early hour Friday morning, in the presence of his father and mother, who were called to his bedside. It is said that Balew was several times heard to remark that it was his intention to die in the Estes house.

Clinton Isn't In It.

The chicken and turkey pickers of Clinton must take a back seat for those of Sedalia. On December 24 W. A. Nichols, foreman of the dressing department of the New York Poultry and Egg Co., this city, picked 24 turkeys in twelve and one-half minutes, and four men picked 1,760 chickens in six hours, which is the state record. Clinton isn't in it with Sedalia.

A Woman as Deputy Sheriff.

Mrs. Sophia Moore, of Kansas City, was adjudged insane by the county court last Saturday and ordered sent to the asylum at Nevada, Mo.

After the court issued the order

it appointed Mrs. Irene Tennis, the deranged woman's daughter, a deputy sheriff, in order to enable her to accompany her mother to the asylum without incurring any personal expense.

Mrs. Moore's mind gave way about six months ago as a result of excessive use of morphine, a habit which has held her in its clutches for about five years.

ATTEMPTED RAPE.

An Unknown White Man Assaults Mrs. Frank Padgett.

An unknown white man attempted a criminal assault upon Mrs. Frank Padgett, on Hill street, between Saline and Boonville, just about dusk Saturday night.

The lady was on her way home, carrying a coal oil can in one hand and some groceries in her arm, when the brute sprang from his place of concealment and threw his arm around her neck, after which he attempted to throw her to the ground, using the vilest possible language in the meantime.

Mrs. Padgett cried lustily for assistance, when her assailant became alarmed and fled, but she gave a splendid description of him, and says she can identify him beyond doubt.

RAISED \$6,223.52.

That is What the Christian Church Did Last Year.

At the annual review service at the Christian church, Sunday morning, reports were made by the various officers of the work accomplished during the past twelve months, and the showing was one on which pastor and congregation are to be congratulated.

The membership is the largest of any church in the United States, being over 900. The report of Mrs. L. M. Shields showed contributions of \$330.90 for the year; Miss Chappelear, for Sunday school, reported \$709.40; Judge John N. Dalby, for the church, reported \$4,598.22; Mrs. F. J. McClure, for the Ladies' Aid society, reported \$350; Mrs. A. E. Gardner, for the East Side Ladies' Aid society, reported \$175; and Mrs. Martha Hopkins, for the Educational Aid society, reported \$60, or a total of \$6,223.52 in collections for the year. The church does not owe a dollar and is in a highly prosperous condition.

MUST SETTLE FOR HIMSELF.

A Question That Each Catholic Knight Must Settle.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 31.—Dr. I. L. White, supreme keeper of records and seals of the Knights of Pythias, in an interview concerning the order and the recent papal edict, says: "It seems that it is a matter which each individual must settle for himself, and I take it that each Catholic Knight of Pythias will have to settle with himself the comparative ties that bind him to the absolute obedience of the temporal decrees of the pope or the observance of the ties binding him to his fraternity. I presume the effect may be different in various localities."

"The devout Catholic who believes that every wish of the pope must be observed must feel that he must withdraw. The man who considers himself his own master in worldly affairs will remain in the order, if he is devoted to the principles. I have talked with several local Catholic Knights of Pythias concerning the question and they all say they intend to remain in the order."

"This announcement of the pope against the Knights of Pythias comes from the advanced and pronounced requirements of our order. The supreme lodge had decreed that each member must be loyal to the government under which he lives. You can see where that would fail to please the pope."

Granted a Divorce.

Julia Ridgely Ellegood, daughter of Rev. Ridgely, formerly of Boonville, was granted a divorce in St. Louis last Saturday from Wm. T. Ellegood, with the restoration of her maiden name, Ridgely. She says that he committed adultery on divers days in April, 1891, at No. 1208 Washington avenue with Ida Oberland. When she upbraided him about this, he deserted her, and she can not now find him, and says she doesn't care to do so. They were married in Howard county, Mo., on February 11, 1890.

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The best make, the Domestic, going at wholesale prices during this month, with a ten-year guarantee. Needles, oil and attachments. Also repairing reasonable.

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JUDGE TAYLOR DEAD

Died Sitting in a Chair at 5:15 P. M. Sunday.

NO WARNING WHATEVER.

For Almost Thirty Years Continuously He Had Resided in Sedalia—His Biography.

Judge Charles Gordon Taylor, for almost thirty continuous years a resident of Sedalia, died at his home, No. 226 East Fifth street, at 5:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon, while perusing a newspaper. The news spread rapidly, and during the entire evening the sudden death of the judge furnished the principal topic of conversation down town.

Some ten days ago Judge Taylor was attacked with muscular rheumatism, but it readily yielded to medical treatment and he soon recovered. Saturday evening he had a second attack, but nothing serious was anticipated.

He arose as usual Sunday morning, took a bath and ate breakfast, but did not attend church, as was his custom when in good health. He also ate a hearty dinner, and the greater portion of the afternoon was spent in scanning the columns of the local and St. Louis newspapers.

A few minutes after 5 o'clock he was seated in a room with his wife and daughter, when he handed a vial to the latter, Mrs. T. B. Anderson, and requested her to have Mr. Anderson get a certain prescription duplicated.

Up to that time he had not indulged in the least complaint of feeling worse than he had earlier in the day. An instant later, however, without the slightest warning that the end was near, his limbs were stretched outward and his head fell back upon the rocking chair in which he was seated. The chair gradually slipped from under him and he fell to the floor, but even then it was thought for the time being that he had only fainted.

An examination, however, revealed that the heart was pulseless, and Drs. E. C. Evans and G. A. Russell were summoned. They reached the house a few minutes later, only to announce that the spirit of Judge Taylor had taken its flight to its Maker.

During the evening a score or more of friends of a quarter of a century's duration called at the residence to verify the rumor current on the streets and at the hotel, that death had ensued, and on every hand sympathy was expressed for the deeply afflicted family.

Judge Taylor was born in Philadelphia December 23, 1827, and hence was 67 years and 7 days old at the time of his death. He learned the jeweler's trade, and in 1849 was married in Philadelphia to Miss Rosanna Bush. During the war he was at Richmond, Va., and for a time his services were given to the confederacy, although he was not a regularly enlisted soldier.

Early in 1865 Judge Taylor came to Missouri, and after a short sojourn in St. Louis he reached Sedalia in the fall of that year. He was so favorably impressed with the city and its people that he decided to locate permanently, and soon afterwards engaged in the jewelry business, in which he continued without interruption to the time of his death.

Three children were born to Judge and Mrs. Taylor. One, a daughter, died, but Mrs. T. B. Anderson and Charles L. Taylor survive their father. The deceased also leaves a widow, a brother, L. E. Taylor, of St. Louis, and a sister, Mrs. J. F. Tobias, of Parsons, Kas.

Politically, Judge Taylor was a democrat, and on several occasions had been honored by his party. He served faithfully and well as judge of the county court, and was a member of the city council for several terms. He was a member of the council committee that arranged for the construction of the Sedalia waterworks, the other members of the committee being the late Col. A. D. Jaynes and Benton H. Ingram.

Judge Taylor was one of the most prominent men in Central Missouri in organizing building and loan associations, and never lost an opportunity to assist in advancing the interests of his adopted city. He was a lifelong Mason, being a member of Sedalia lodge, and was also a member of the First Methodist church for many years. He was, in every respect, a model citizen, and throughout the entire city and county the news of his death will be read with deep regret.

Fire at Malta Bend, Mo.

Fire at Malta Bend, Saline county, last Saturday night, destroyed

the Commercial hotel, Shepherd's saddle and harness store, Bradshaw & Co.'s grocery, Dow's bookstore, Mahan's drugstore and the halls of the I. O. O. F. and A. O. U. W. Nothing was saved but a little furniture from the hotel. Loss, about \$10,000; insurance light.

An Old Soldier's Recommendation.

In the late war I was a soldier in the First Maryland Volunteers, Company G. During my term of service I contracted chronic diarrhoea. Since then I have used a great amount of medicine, but when I found any that would give me relief it would injure my stomach, until Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was brought to my notice. I used it and will say it is the only remedy that gave me permanent relief and no bad results follow. I take pleasure in recommending this preparation to all my old comrades, who, while giving their services to their country, contracted this dreadful disease as I did, from eating unwholesome and uncooked food. Yours truly,

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TO

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Now, all together for a big boom during 1895.

The new tariff on woolen goods has gone into effect and the retail price has again been cut in the interest of the consumer.

The Missouri general assembly should take hold of the work of revising the criminal statutes at once. The burden of criminal costs should be reduced.

FILLEY is the republican party up to the present writing.—Gazette.

And this is the result of the "great victory" in Missouri! Poor old republican party! Hopelessly in the grasp of such a boss!

EVERYBODY will agree with Coxey and other socialists in desiring that good roads be built and the unemployed be put to work. But many will object to issuing bonds to the extent of 50 per cent of the assessed valuation of a community to do it.

BUSINESS prospects are decidedly brighter than they were one year ago. The world is emerging from a period of remarkable depression from which it has suffered for four years, and while the recovery may not be rapid it will be steady and continuous.

ONE of the greatest agencies in the increase of criminal costs and the defeat of the enforcement of law is the nonsensical provision in regard to changes of venue. This statute should be changed so that no change of venue or continuance can be had in criminal cases except for the most substantial reasons.

EVERY year the DEMOCRAT has been in existence has witnessed an increase in advertising and circulation, and each succeeding month has but seen it more firmly established as the favorite paper of Sedalia people. It gives more of value both to readers and advertisers than any other Sedalia paper.

THERE is an excellent opportunity for republicans who are tired of bossism and Filley dictation to find more congenial associations in the democratic ranks where no bossism is permitted. The plan of reforming the republican party and ridding it of obnoxious leaders they must now regard as impossible of execution.

THE proposition that the government purchase and operate the railroads of this country will hardly prove popular at a time when most of the lines are being operated at a loss to the companies which own them. There are too many people who will object to being taxed to keep up railways that were really never needed and which will never become profitable.

In turning over the house of representatives to the "hoodlum boss" the republican party has surrendered any chance it might have had to secure a further lease of power in this state. The better element of the republican party has no confidence in the Filley faction, and they have impressed the people of the state with their own distrust of the St. Louis boss and his methods. When the party, therefore, signalizes its advent to power by turning over the control of the house to such an element it can only be regarded as a positive proof that it is still unfit to rule a free and intelli-

gent people, and it will be doomed to another quarter of a century of banishment from power. Filley may rule the republican party with a rod of iron, but he cannot dominate the free, intelligent citizens of this great state.

FAITHFUL OFFICIALS.

The changes in county officials consequent upon the popular verdict at the polls have already begun. Judge Nichols has succeeded Judge Hoy in the probate office; Mr. McDougall having succeeded Mr. Pilkington in the recorder's office; Mr. Hughes has turned over the treasurer's office to Mr. Farnham, and Judges Dalby and Conway have retired from the county bench and been succeeded by Judges Connor and Clark—the latter the only democrat who weathered the storm last November.

In turning over their offices to their successors the gentlemen who step down and out have left behind them records of which they may well be proud. No county in the state has had more faithful, industrious or intelligent officials, and not one of them but carries with him into private life the respect, confidence and esteem of the whole community, regardless of politics.

They have honestly and faithfully performed the duties entrusted to them, and for all time can point to the public records of the county as evidences of their earnest and successful labors.

Every one of the offices is in excellent shape; there is money in the treasury; the county's business affairs are in order, and everything right to a cent.

Elsewhere the DEMOCRAT presents more in detail something of the actual condition of the county under democratic rule as shown by the last annual statement of the treasurer.

May the new officials be as successful in their management of public affairs is the earnest wish of the DEMOCRAT.

ABSCONDING CASHIERS.

A special to the Globe-Democrat from Slater has the following in reference to the disappearance of the cashier of the defunct Citizens' Stock bank of that place:

"Field is believed to have fled to Mexico, and efforts will be made to have him extradited, though it is believed that the attempt will be unavailing, when it is considered how unsuccessful all efforts have been to bring back Cashier Thompson, of Sedalia, who has found a haven of refuge in the City of Mexico."

If any effort has been made to extradite Thompson the public has been kept in ignorance of it, and in these days of alert newspaper correspondents and telegraph lines the arrest of a fugitive bank cashier in Mexico would have been published all over the world.

But so far no arrest has been made!

Indictments were returned both in the federal and state courts and the whereabouts of the fugitive was known for months, but nothing has been done toward bringing him back for trial, and Dr. Field will in all probability find a safe asylum in the land of the Montezumas.

This is a sad commentary upon justice, to be sure. But the public has hardly believed that Thompson would be returned for trial, and as he has not even been arrested there is ground for believing that Field will be equally secure.

But the man who makes a few gallons of whisky without paying the revenue tax, or who cuts a few loads of timber on government land, has a horde of deputy marshals at his heels until he is caught and punished, while Debs, for the crime of "contempt of court," has been sentenced to imprisonment.

The man who steals a loaf of bread, a piece of bacon, a horse or a hog is chased by alert officers until he is caught and punished, but when a grand jury has returned a whole batch of indictments against an absconding bank cashier whose crimes have financially crippled or ruined scores of innocent people there is a distressing lack of activity in causing his arrest.

The eyes of the public are on this case, and the official who fails to do his duty toward causing the arrest of the fugitive will have a hard time framing an excuse for his lack of zeal.

There has already been ample time in which to have caused the arrest and made an earnest effort to

extradite the accused, and should the fugitive escape arrest by reason of the lapse of time the public will insist upon knowing the cause of the delay.

If there is any "influence" at work to shield the accused, a public sentiment which loves justice and despises partiality in the enforcement of law will insist upon knowing what it is that has to be overcome before fugitives who have been indicted are brought to trial.

A FRESH congressman from Michigan has introduced a bill prohibiting the acceptance for transport through the mails of any newspaper which at any time may "advise, abet or suggest the commission of any offense against any law of the United States or any state or territory or country with which the United States is at peace." There is already too much despotism in the postoffice department, and to make that department a censor of the press is going too far. If a newspaper is guilty of abetting crime its publisher should be tried and punished, but he should not be punished until he has had an opportunity to face his accuser and present his defense in court. Already the postal authorities may by ex parte proceedings pronounce a business illegitimate and debar its managers from the use of the money order mail without any sort of trial at law and the aggrieved citizen has no recourse in the courts. An assistant postmaster general may break up any business concern by closing the registry and money order mail to it, but no matter how honestly it may be managed or how legitimate it is impossible to find relief in the federal courts. It is despotism pure and simple, and if the law is changed at all it ought to be to require the department to convict an accused in the courts before his mail matter is interfered with at all. The Michigan congressman, like some others, seems desirous of conforming this country to the rules and practices in vogue in Russia.

SEDALIA is a law-abiding city and her remarkable freedom from crime is the direct result of vigorous and intelligent work on the part of the police. It is simple justice to say that the fact that the city is so free from footpads, highwaymen and burglars is largely due to the intelligent efforts of Mr. John Delong and the efficient force under him. The policy then adopted was to promptly arrest all suspicious strangers and make the town too hot to hold them, and thus the word went along the line of professional criminals that Sedalia was not an inviting field for their labors. This course, which has brought safety to the citizen, has pursued in spite of the opposition of shallow sentimentalists who howled about police persecution and bemoaned the arrest of "innocent" men. The new marshal and the force under him followed the precedent made by Mr. Delong and have had to face something of the same sickly sentimentality. The result has been highly advantageous to the city, however, and even those who condemned Mr. Delong and Mr. Kahrs and the policy they have adopted and carried out, have come to endorse it at last and, with the customary display of gall, to claim the credit for the good that was done in spite of their criticisms and denunciations.

SENATOR CHAS. E. YEATER left for the state capital today where he will take a prominent part in shaping the legislation of the session. Several newspapers of the state have endorsed Senator Yeater for the position of president pro tem. of the senate, a position for which the senator is eminently qualified and in every way worthy. The DEMOCRAT happens to know, however, that Senator Yeater will not be a candidate for president pro tem; that he does not desire the position, but prefers to do his work upon the floor of the senate. His friends, too, prefer to see him take the position he deserves as one of the leaders in debate and in the active work of framing the laws, confident that he can thus do more efficient work for his constituents, and the state at large. Well informed upon all public questions, active and earnest in advocating his ideas of needed legislation, eloquent and forcible in debate and with the courage of his convictions

in an eminent degree, Senator Yeater is the natural leader of his party on the floor of the senate and his friends will prefer to see him in the thick of the fight rather than as secretary pro tem.

It seems that the deadly Australian ballot got in its work in all parts of the state. Rumor says there were enough votes cast and uncounted in Bland's district to change the result, but it would probably be found upon examination that these uncounted votes are pretty well divided between the candidates. The experience of the past does show, however, that the blank sheet form of ballot should be abandoned and a ticket substituted with all of the candidates grouped alphabetically under the office they are candidates for. Then with all the candidates for a given office grouped before him the voter can easily make his choice and cross out the others.

THE new county officials will have the earnest support of the DEMOCRAT in everything they undertake for the good of Sedalia and Pettis county. This paper never had any use for that perverted journalism which seeks every opportunity to nag, vilify, criticize and antagonize officials merely because they differ from it politically. What is for the best for the whole people the DEMOCRAT will strive for, whether it comes from democratic or republican sources, and every official who tries to do his duty honestly, fearlessly and intelligently will have a friend in this paper. Such has been the policy of the DEMOCRAT in the past and such it will be in the future.

AMONG the most important measures that will be before the general assembly this winter is the proposition for a constitutional convention. There is a general feeling that the constitution which was wise and judicious a quarter of a century ago is out of date now. The Missouri of the present is not the Missouri of 1875. The people should have an opportunity to change their fundamental law to fit the altered conditions and to remove restrictions which have become obstacles to progress.

THE DEMOCRAT regrets the defeat of Hon. J. H. Bothwell in his candidacy for speaker of the Missouri house of representatives, though such defeat was by no means unexpected. It has only been a few months since the boss wreaked vengeance upon Mr. Bothwell at the republican club convention and this last defeat is notice that no silk stocking republican need aspire to party honors in Missouri.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Fact or Fiction About Two Great Fair Awards.

A newspaper paragraph denounces as "false" the claim of a baking powder company to any award at the World's fair. Whom can it mean?

Certainly not Dr. Prices. Why? Because, as the records show, Dr. Price's exhibited, competed and received the highest award, both at Chicago and the California Mid-winter fair. The award in California included Gold Medal. The official examiners pronounced it the strongest, the purest, the most wholesome and efficient of all the baking powders. Its title to confidence is unquestioned.

Can it be the manufacturers of a New York Powder, fictitiously labelled "absolutely pure" who are making "false" claims? That would be strange, indeed, inasmuch as they were not even considered in the awards.

Was it Ammonia in the New York powder that prevented its makers from competing? If not, what?

The Assessor's Abstract.

Following is an abstract of the assessment of Pettis county realty and personal property for 1895, as taken from Assessor Logan's books:

REAL ESTATE.	
Farm lands.....	\$5,005,700.00
City of Sedalia.....	2,826,450.00
Town lots.....	322,850.00
Railroad property.....	57,180.00
Total real estate.....	\$8,692,180.00
PERSONAL.	
Horses.....	\$22,220.00
Asses and jennets.....	6,500.00
Mules.....	117,350.00
Cattle.....	392,070.00
Sheep.....	10,345.00
Hogs.....	71,250.00
Money, notes and bonds.....	452,000.00
All other personal property.....	610,395.00
Banks and corporations.....	412,470.00
Total personal property.....	\$2,385,060.00

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World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma

NANA SAHIB LIKELY DEAD.

All Rumors to the Contrary the Result of a Romantic Imagination.

From time to time the rumor is revived that the Nana Sahib, the most notorious monster of the Indian mutiny, is yet alive. In relation to one of these reports Major-General Hutchinson of the British army says: "In 1857-58 I was military secretary to the chief commissioner of Oude, and as such was head of an intelligence department which supplied to the military authorities and to the supreme government information regarding the movement of rebel troops. The system adopted was to send out runners with instructions to pass through certain lines of country, returning to Lucknow, and to report everything they heard. It was so arranged that the runners without knowing it would cross each other at certain points at about the same time. They were never told what particular information to inquire for. Some time in 1858, probably about June or July, three or four runners, coming from different directions, separately reported that Nana Sahib had died of fever across the river Gogra, and been burnt in the jungles bordering on Nepal and known as the Terai.

This information, according to the instructions of the chief commissioner, Sir Robert Montgomery, I duly reported to Lord Canning. As the Nana up to date has not been discovered, it is, I think, highly probable that the runners had got hold of the truth, and certainly it was then considered so to be by the intelligence department, of which that very able and experienced officer, the late Major Orr, was the executive controller."

THE PROFESSOR'S EXPLOSIVE.

It Is a New Gelatine Which Can Be Plaited Into Cords.

A new explosive, manufactured by the government, has lately drawn much attention. It is called "cordite," and is an invention of Professor Abel. It is in the main a similar product to the smokeless powders of other nations. The name "cordite" originates in the process of manufacture, during which the gun cotton, after being combined with a sort of explosive gelatine, is pressed through a plate with fine openings, thus receiving the shape of fine threads. The object of this process is that by proper selection of the thickness of the threads, it offers great latitude in the control of the swiftness of the explosion, which is, in other powders, attained by the finer or coarser grain of the particles. One can, therefore, according to requirements, manufacture a quickly combustible explosive for mining purposes, or a slowly burning, driving power for projectiles. Cordite can be plaited into cords, which naturally increases its availability for practical use. The judicial side of the cordite manufacture offers special interest, as the well-known firm of Alfred Nobel—the inventor of dynamite—had instituted a lawsuit against the English government for infringement of its patent rights. But, although the modern manufacture of explosives rests mainly on Mr. Nobel's efforts, the firm lost its suit because the fundamental patent had expired.

THIS MAN'S SIN

gle Aim Was to Get an Advertisement and He Succeeded.

Stand in the public thoroughfare gazing at any thing real or imaginary and the dozens who gather round you will multiply soon into hundreds, and if you stick to it, perhaps thousands. A crowd as big as the street could hold for a block gathered round a sign painter. They rallied in curious excitement and dispersed in disappointed disgust.

"My Sin" in huge flaming letters was what the painter had already printed. If ever a crowd was bent on anything it was on the discovery of what that sin was. They asked each other what it might be and hazarded guesses while the man laid by his red paint pot and brought forth a green instead.

What would the next word be? The crowd grew so excited they called to the man, "What is it?" "Tell us, 'Go on.' 'Hurry.' 'Paint quick if you won't talk,' until it seemed he might grow too bothered to print anything. But he did.

He printed out in small green letters, added to the gigantic "Sin," the syllable "gle," and when the sign was done it read: "My single aim is to sell at a nominal profit."

Quick work.

A Manchester packing company had occasion to telegraph to their manager at Victoria, British Columbia, and the sending of the message and the reply only occupied ninety seconds. They state that this is the record. It has never been beaten or equaled in the annals of telegraphic history. The total distance by the wires, out and return, is 13,300 miles.

South American Fishing.

In South American waters mullet are taken in enormous quantities by boats which go out with wire baskets at the bows filled with blazing pitch-pine. For the purpose in view, the craft is so loaded as to bring the gunwale on one side down nearly to a level with the water, and the fish, attracted by the light, jump on board by hundreds.

The Homeopath System.

A recent applicant before the medical examining board of Texas was asked: "What is histology?" "Histology is the history of medicine." "What system of medicine do you practice?" "The Vanderbilt and St. Louis systems, and sometimes the homeopath system." "What is the homeopath system, as you call it?" "Sweatin' the patient."

BUYING APPLES IN MAINE.

It Needs a Sharp and Clever Man to Detect Tricks of Trade.

"The apple buyers have to be fellows who can see through a millstone," says one of the Maine fraternity. "We do not often get taken in, for there's a sort of mental telegraphy that tells us when to investigate, and that's what I mean by 'seeing through a millstone.' I was taken in once, though, by a man who brought seventeen barrels a dozen miles and looked me calmly in the eyes as he assured me quietly they were all A1 in size and quality. I looked one barrel all through, and as they were all right my mental alarm bell remained quiet. So I paid him a first-class price and he went off with his money. In less than ten minutes, having occasion to move one of the other barrels, a loose heading dropped out and the contents rolled upon the floor, displaying as mean a piece of deaconing as it was ever my lot to see.

"There were good apples at the ends, but the middle part was good for nothing. I examined the other barrels and found everyone except that I looked through at first a rank fraud. I went for the seller before he had time to leave town and made him pay back the money and take his apples home with him. You can bet I notified all the other buyers in that part of Maine, and now that man can't sell a peck of potatoes without its being well looked over beforehand."

NEWS FOR A POLICEMAN.

Thought He Could Fool the Boy, But He Got Left.

The policeman had been standing on the corner for about ten minutes, and a foxy-looking boy sitting on a near-by doorstep was watching him. The boy's curiosity overcame him at last, and he sidled along up to the officer.

"I say, Mr. Copper," he said at a safe distance, "what are you standing on this corner for?"

"That's my business," he replied, curtly.

"Well, you seem to be 'tendin' to it," ventured the boy.

"That's what I'm paid for."

"Alle samee," chirruped the lad, "I know what you're standing there for."

"I'll give you a nickel if you'll tell me," bantered the officer as he held a coin out to the kid.

"Throw it to me," said the boy, keeping his distance, warily.

"Not much. You tell me what I'm standing here for and I'll give it to you."

The boy came up close enough to reach the coin. "You're standin' here for ten minutes," he said, with a grab at the money, and the officer chased him in vain.

HE CAUGHT ON.

And It Was Only His First Lesson in Talking Slang.

"But you Eastern people are so conventional," said the Western beauty to a Boston young man who was regarding her with half-fearful admiration. "Your language is so unpicturesque. Now, I think our slang is delightful; it is most suggestive, don't you know. You can express ever so much more than you would dare to say in ordinary parlance," she continued, coquettishly.

"Oh, do talk slang to me, then," begged the youth, fatuously.

"Oh, come off the freight," she responded, with a charming smile.

"What?" he answered quite bewildered.

"Get on the passenger, do," she continued laughingly.

"I haven't an idea what you mean," he exclaimed, despairingly.

"Why, I only wanted to say that you were too slow," she exclaimed, wickedly.

"Look out for yourself," he cried at last, "catching on," "I am on the express."

Diet and Study.

A Vassar girl, not long ago, cramming for her examinations, sent down an order to the refectory for strong tea and cracked ice. It was her freshman year, or she would never have done it, a proper diet being one of the important matters in that admirable institution. At the Woman's college in Baltimore a glance at the food contracts for the nine months of study is interesting. It takes eleven tons of beef, three and one-half of mutton, two of pork and four of poultry to satisfy the healthy young appetites of the 200 students in the meat line alone. There are, besides, 3,000 dozens of eggs, two and one-half tons of butter, five of sugar and one and one-half of crackers to be disposed of.

Pie for Milly.

At one of the quiet summer hotels in the Adirondack region a husband and wife attracted by their pleasant manner the liking of the waiter detailed at the table. Madam, like a true American, called for a little more of some particularly nice pie, whereupon her husband rebuked her jocosely in his care for her health. "No, no, Milly," he said: you have had quite enough pie for your good." "Never you mind him, Milly," said Elnathan, the waiter, leaning over her chair, a perfect mass of sympathy: "you kin hev all the pie ther is. Here's a hull one."

Putting It Pleasantly.

An English traveler once asked a Cavan laboring man how far it was to a place for which he was bound. "Two miles, your reverence," "Two miles and a little more?" said the Englishman, knowing, by long experience, that Irishmen do not like to discourage a traveler by letting him know that he has still a long walk before him. "Well, your reverence," came the reply, "it's two miles strong and rich, so to spake."

HORRIBLE, IF TRUE.

Was 11-Year-Old George Parks Poisoned?

A TERRIBLE SUSPICION.

His Parents Are Charged With the Crime—An Analysis of the Stomach.

A Brookfield, Mo., dispatch of the 2d to the St. Louis Chronicle says: The suicide of 11-year-old George Parks in this city last Thursday, by hanging himself to a rafter in his father's barn, has caused no end of gossip and suspicion. His body, which was interred in the cemetery Saturday, has been exhumed, his stomach removed and sent to St. Louis for medical examination.

A heavy cloud of suspicion now envelops the parents. His stomach will be diagnosed to determine whether or not the little boy had been poisoned. Preparations had been made by his parents for the funeral Friday, and after the people of the city began to gather at the home Constable Wooley ordered the interment postponed to hold an inquest and ascertain the truth of the many statements which had gained circulation, in which it might be imagined that the parents were accessories to the boy's deed.

From the fact that the little fellow was too young to know what responsibility meant, and the alleged cruelty of his parents, strange stories have been circulated. The boy's parents stated that he had been about home as usual that morning, and they had noticed nothing peculiar in his actions.

John Parks attended a funeral at the Christian church at 10:30. When he returned home about 11:30, Mrs. Parks told him she had called George, but the boy hadn't answered, and that he had better go out and see if he could find him. Parks went out to the barn and upon entering saw the boy hanging from a rafter. He yelled and several neighbors came and immediately cut the rope, carried the boy into the house, and sent for a doctor.

When Dr. Pratt arrived he attempted to resuscitate the boy, but life was extinct. Mrs. Parks testified as follows:

"George got up and did his work as usual that morning. Parks had gone to a funeral. I talked to George in the house and asked him why he ran off. He said some boys persuaded him to. At 11:10 I sent George to the barn for some wood. He did not return and I called him twice, but got no reply. When Parks returned from the funeral I told him I couldn't find the boy. Parks went to the barn and then saw the boy hanging from a rafter. The boy stole things and lied about them and his father would whip him, but hadn't whipped him for a month."

The boy had a book supposed to be stolen. He went to do some chores Friday and did not come back. Parks said: "If that little rascal ran away I will wear him out."

It is reported that the parents were exceedingly cruel and negligent of their young son, and many times he went hungry and cold.

John Parks, the father, fainted three different times when questioned about his son's deed, and upon one occasion drew an ax upon another man who accused him of being cruel to the boy, and had not a bystander interceded, a rash act might have followed. He was arrested and bound over to the February term of court.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks have also been arraigned before the justice of the peace for neglecting and refusing to provide necessary food and clothing for their infant son as well as purposely assaulting him, whereby his life was endangered and injured.

Much excitement awaits the outcome of the trial, and the examination of the boy's stomach.

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DANGEROUS TOYS.

They May Carry Serious Diseases to the Mouths of Children.

There are few persons who walk along the streets of a city whose attention has not been directed to the exceedingly ingenious toys which are sold by the itinerant vender for the delectation of children. One of the latest of these is a hollow tube of bamboo at one end, to which it is coiled by the action of a very light steel spring. On blowing into the bamboo the coil is unrolled and reaches forward nearly a yard. The sudden extension of this coil produced by blowing in it is a source of great amusement. Toy bagpipes are also popular contrivances. These are not blown into in the usual way, but the breath of the performer is made to inflate a small India rubber ball, which, once blown into, supplies sufficient air to blow a few bars of any popular tune.

The London Lancet, has called attention to the possible consequences of buying these toys, which, it says, are presented to a child after having been inflated by questionable breath, and perhaps wetted with the moisture of the still more questionable lips of the vender. An infected mouth piece, it says, has not infrequently been known to be the origin of grave constitutional troubles. This is perfectly true. Persons who would hesitate to drink out of a glass that has been used by whom they have been used, or by what disease they may be contaminated. Among impoverished makers and venders sore throats, diphtheria and contagious fevers in every stage may be raging, and children may contract fatal diseases even of a worse character than any we have mentioned by blowing and using the questionable toys. Surely it is only necessary to call the attention of persons to the evil, for careful supervision would prevent the dissemination of loathsome disorders by these means.

A Worthy Judge.

Sir Matthew Begbie, chief justice of British Columbia, recently deceased, once had before him a man charged with having killed another man with a sand-bag. The evidence was conclusive, and the judge charged the jury accordingly, but a verdict of "Not guilty" was promptly brought in. The judge was astonished. "Gentlemen of the jury," he said, "this is your verdict, not mine. On your conscience the disgrace will rest. Many repetitions of such conduct as yours will make trial by jury a horrible farce, and the city of Victoria a nest of crime. Go! I have nothing more to say to you." And then, turning to the prisoner: "You are discharged. Go and sand-bag some of those jurymen; they deserve it."

A Ticking Tombstone.

There is a tradition that a tombstone in the graveyard of an old and unpromising little stone church in London, Britain township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, gives forth a ticking sound, and it has long been locally famous as the ticking tombstone. The noise is not loud enough for the stone to be located by a stranger, and if the ticking is really ever heard, it comes doubtless from the trickling of water through the limestone formation not unusual in the region. The old church dates back to about the middle of the last century, and is surrounded by grave-stones, some of them considerably older.

Wrote His Will on a Plank.

One of the queer documents in the office of a county judge in Florida is a will on a piece of unpainted plank, five feet long and one foot wide. The plank was sawed out of the house of Mrs. Arnold, living a short distance from the city. It was part of the wall. On a bed by the wall a man named John M. O'Brien, whom Mrs. Arnold befriended, died, but before he died he wrote on the plank, in pencil, these words: "Mrs. Arnold, God bless her! shall have all I leave." He left \$500. The will is probably the most unhandy document to file in all of Duval county.

Mme. Tolstoi's Work.

Mme. Tolstoi is a remarkable woman, who received a diploma from the Moscow university at the age of 17, was married when she was 18, and her husband twenty years older, and is now, after thirty-one years of married life, the mother of nine children, and her husband's potent aid in his literary labors. Until her children are 10 years old she makes all their clothes. She copies and recopies her husband's manuscript, a task the difficulty of which is increased by the self-invented shorthand in which Count Tolstoi sets down his composition.

Is the Earth Hollow?

According to a queer belief in existence among the Icelanders, all waters which flow toward the north are drawn thitherward by a suction created by the oceans tumbling downward through the hollow which they firmly believe penetrates our globe from pole to pole. Their authority for this curious belief is the "Utama Saga," a semi-sacred work, written early in the fourteenth century.

They Restore Shrunken Flannel.

There is a concern down in the old French quarter in New York that undertakes to restore shrunken flannel garments to their original size. Customers are instructed to indicate the original size of the garment to be treated and the size to which it is to be restored, but they are cautioned against asking that a garment be stretched to any size larger than the original.

BUYING APPLES IN MAINE.

It Needs a Sharp and Clever Man to Detect Tricks of Trade.

"The apple buyers have to be fellows who can see through a millstone," says one of the Maine fraternity. "We do not often get taken in, for there's a sort of mental telegraphy that tells us when to investigate, and that's what I mean by 'seeing through a millstone.' I was taken in once, though, by a man who brought seventeen barrels of apples and looked me calmly in the eyes as he assured me quietly they were all A1 in size and quality. I looked one barrel all through, and as they were all right my mental alarm bell remained quiet. So I paid him a first-class price and he went off with his money. In less than ten minutes, having occasion to move one of the other barrels, a loose heading dropped out and the contents rolled upon the floor, displaying as mean a piece of deception as it was ever my lot to see. "There were good apples at the ends, but the middle part was good for nothing. I examined the other barrels and found everyone except that I looked through a first rank fraud. I went for the seller before he had time to leave town and made him pay back the money and take his apples home with him. You can bet I notified all the other buyers in that part of Maine, and now that man can't sell a peck of potatoes without its being well looked over beforehand."

NEWS FOR A POLICEMAN.

Thought He Could Fool the Boy, But He Got Left.

The policeman had been standing on the corner for about ten minutes, and a foxey-looking boy sitting on a near-by doorstep was watching him. The boy's curiosity overcame him at last, and he sidled along up to the officer.

"I say, Mr. Copper," he said at a safe distance, "what are you standing on this corner for?"

"That's my business," he replied, curtly.

"Well, you seem to be 'tendin' to it," ventured the boy.

"That's what I'm paid for."

"Alle samme," chirruped the lad. "I know what you're standing there for."

"I'll give you a nickel if you'll tell me," bantered the officer as he held a coin out to the kid.

"Throw it to me," said the boy, keeping his distance, warily.

"Not much. You tell me what I'm standing here for and I'll give it to you."

The boy came up close enough to reach the coin. "You're standin' here for ten minutes," he said, with a grab at the money, and the officer chased him in vain.

HE CAUGHT ON.

And It Was Only His First Lesson in Talking Slang.

"But you Eastern people are so conventional," said the Western beauty to a Boston young man who was regarding her with half-fearful admiration. "Your language is so unpicturesque. Now, I think our slang is delightful; it is most suggestive, don't you know. You can express ever so much more than you would dare to say in ordinary parlance," she continued, coquettishly.

"Oh, do talk slang to me, then," begged the youth, fatuously.

"Oh, come off the freight," she responded, with a charming smile.

"What!" he answered quite bewildered.

"Get on the passenger, do," she continued laughingly.

"I haven't an idea what you mean," he exclaimed, despairingly.

"Why, I only wanted to say that you were too slow," she exclaimed, wickedly.

"Look out for yourself," he cried at last, "catching on," "I am on the express."

Diet and Study.

A Vassar girl, not long ago, cramming for her examinations, sent down an order to the refectory for strong tea and cracked ice. It was her freshman year, or she would never have done it, a proper diet being one of the important matters in that admirable institution. At the Woman's college in Baltimore a glance at the food contracts for the nine months of study is interesting. It takes eleven tons of beef, three and one-half of mutton, two of pork and four of poultry to satisfy the healthy young appetites of the 200 students in the meat line alone. There are, besides, 3,000 dozens of eggs, two and one-half tons of butter, five of sugar and one and one-half of crackers to be disposed of.

Pie for Milly.

At one of the quiet summer hotels in the Adirondack region a husband and wife attracted by their pleasant manner the liking of the waiter detailed at the table. Madam, like a true American, called for a little more of some particularly nice pie, whereupon her husband rebuked her jocosely in his care for her health. "No, no, Milly," he said; you have had quite enough pie for your good."

"Never you mind him, Milly," said Elnathan, the waiter, leaning over her chair, a perfect mass of sympathy: "you kin hev all the pie ther is. Here's a hull one."

Putting it Pleasantly.

An English traveler once asked a Cavan laboring man how far it was to a place for which he was bound. "Two miles, your reverence."

CARMEN SYLVA'S HEART.

It Is Very Tender, as a Little Roumanian Girl Has Reason to Know.

Here is a pretty little story about Carmen Sylva: A few years ago, when she was in the zenith of her popularity and health, she visited a small village school in Rumania, and asked permission to put the children through their "paces." The children did their mistress credit, answering with great promptitude all the simple questions the queen put to them.

Just before leaving the queen noticed one little tot in a far corner of the room, with her tangled head of hair bent over some book. The child was so deeply engrossed in her reading that she took no notice whatever of anybody in the room. The queen asked the reason of her silence; was she deaf or otherwise afflicted? "Oh, no," was the answer, "but she is stupid and never attends to her studies, but seizes every opportunity to read story books." Carmen Sylva walked quietly up to the little reader, and putting her hand on the curly head, asked gently what the child was reading, and the latter held up the book to the strange lady. It was "Fairy Stories and Poems," by Carmen Sylva. "And do you like these tales?" asked their author. "Like them, madame? oh, I love them."

And Carmen Sylva took the child in her arms, kissed the little flushed face, and departed. About a week afterward the child's aunt (for the little maiden was an orphan) received a letter from the queen offering to educate and bring up the child. The offer was gratefully and thankfully accepted, and now the little one is in one of the best schools in Roumania.

DANIEL WEBSTER'S FEES.

The Great Lawyer's Income Was Unusually Limited Even for His Day.

One of our correspondents has been so lucky as to fall in with a little leather-covered book, like those of our bank depositors, which contains Daniel Webster's autograph record of his legal receipts. This chronicle fills twenty-eight pages, and extends a little more than from 1833 to 1836 inclusive. The first entry, dated September in the former year, is of \$50, and the second of \$20, for retainers on the New York circuit. The first fee of \$1,000 was paid in May, 1834, by Mr. Badger. Services regarding Gilley's will commanded \$800. The total amount for the first year was \$13,140, with the remark, "Sept. 22, 1834, thus done and concluded." A similar summing up appears at the close of each other year. The second total is \$15,183.74; the third is \$21,793. The first entry of \$2,000 was in 1835, March 7; the first of \$3,000 December 7 in the same year. This last payment was in respect to Florida land. The largest single honorarium was \$7,500. In February of the fourth year \$5,000 is set down as bestowed in a case of Trinity church (New York). In turning over this record leading metropolitan and even provincial lawyers are astonished that Webster, although twenty years in Boston, so undervalued his services. He learned better at last. When Robert C. Winthrop looked at the earliest date he said: "That's just the time that I was ending my studies in Webster's office," and the chirography led him to add that Webster never wrote a firm hand.

Names of Chinese War Ships.

To the Chinese there is no confusion in the names of their cruisers and gunboats, and if Ting Yuen and King Yuen got mixed by the time they arrive in New York it will not seriously affect the fortunes of war in the China sea. In colloquial Chinese the distinction is preserved by the difference of tone. In the Chinese characters, or ideographs, the possibility of confusion is absolutely nil, for Ching Yuen and Chih Yuen no more resemble each other than do New York and Minneapolis, or than Bunker hill monument resembles the state house. "Ting Yuen" signifies "future security;" "Chen Yuen," "guarding the future." The characters on the other vessels are as distinct in sound, appearance and meaning as these two.

Fighting Fire in China.

When a fire starts in a certain locality in Chinese cities protected by walls extending from one end of the town to the other, a large wooden gate is swung across the street. In this way the fire is confined to definite limits. Generally the fire is interrupted until there is nothing left within the inclosure but ashes, and in the ashes the owner must seek his property. He has no insurance methods, and unless helped by his own family is left to start anew. The re-building is not a difficult matter, as there are no foundations or cellars.

A Fine Passage.

A very vain preacher having delivered a sermon in the hearing of the Rev. Robert Hall, pressed him to state what he thought of the sermon. Mr. Hall remained silent for some time, but this only caused the question to be pressed with greater earnestness. At length Mr. Hall admitted: "There was one very fine passage." "I am rejoiced to hear you say so. Pray, sir, what was it?" "Why, sir, it was the passage from the pulpit to the vestry."

Mr. Gilbert's Pleasant Sensation.

W. S. Gilbert was lunching, not long ago, at a country hotel, when he found himself in company with three cycling clerigymen, by whom he was drawn into conversation. When they discovered who he was, one of the party asked Mr. Gilbert "how he felt in such a grave and reverend company." "I feel," said Mr. Gilbert, "like a lion in a den of Daniels."

THROWING OUT HINTS.

John Was Rather too Urgent and Personal to Be Successful.

When a Georgia father found out that his son John was sparking a certain farmer's daughter for a year or more without settling any question, he called him out behind the stack and said to him:

"John, do you love Susan Tinker?"

"I guess I do, dad."

"And does she love you?"

"That's what I dunno, and I'm 'fraid to ask her."

"Well, you'd better throw out a few hints to-night and find out. It's no use wearing out boot leather unless you are going to marry her."

That night at 10 o'clock John was a wreck. His face was all scratched up, his ear was bleeding, his hat was gone and his back was covered with mud.

"John! John! What on airth is the matter!" exclaimed the old man, laying down his paper.

"Bin over to Tinker's," was the reply.

"And—and—"

"And I threw out a few hints to Susan."

"What kind o' hints?"

"Why, I told her I'd been hoofing it two miles four nights out of a week for the last year to set up with her while she chewed gum and sung through her nose, and now I reckon it was time for her to brush her teeth and darn up her stockings, cure the bile on her chin and tell the old folks that we're engaged."

"And her father bounced you?"

"No, dad, no; that's where I'm consoled. It took the whole gasted family, including Susan, two hired men and three dogs, and then I wasn't more'n half licked. I guess we moved on 'em too soon, dad—I guess it wasn't quite time to throw out hints."

IN THE HEART OF A TREE.

A Lock of Woman's Hair That Farmer Flint Discovered.

David Flint, who lives near Pike, N. Y., chopped down a maple tree at the roadside opposite his home the other day. The tree, owing to its great size, has been for years a landmark in that vicinity. It was sixty feet high and four feet in diameter. In splitting up the great logs the tree made he found in the butt log, five feet from the lower end and near the heart of the tree, a lock of soft, dark-brown hair a foot long. One end of the lock was in a hole three and a half inches deep and half an inch in diameter, into which it was fastened by an oak pin which had been driven into the hole.

Ninety successive rings or layers of wood in the tree had grown over the hair and the pin, showing that they had been driven into the tree ninety years ago, when the maple was less than a foot in girth. The lock of hair is as glossy and with as much apparent vitality as if it had just been severed from the head that bore it.

The opinion among many is that the woman whose hair is thus so singularly brought to light after nearly a century was the victim of some Indian massacre and had been fastened by her hair to the maple while her captors tortured her. The more likely theory is, though, that the person to whom the tress belonged was a believer in the superstition of the early pioneers that certain maladies could be cured if the sufferer had a lock of her hair driven into a tree, fastened by an oak plug and then cut off, provided the patient thereupon walked away from the tree to the eastward and never looked at the severed lock again.

Her Mistake.

It was in the theater lobby, right after the curtain had dropped for the last time. The ladies were putting on their wraps. The gentlemen were busy assisting them. Every one was trying to get out of the main door. In the center of the crowd was a young man and his best girl. He was a nice young man and the girl was pretty. Walking in front of them, or rather in front of the girl, was an elderly looking man. He stopped suddenly, his face got red and purple by turns. He finally blurted out: "Sir! What do you mean by squeezing my hand?" The young man blushed and so did the girl. The men near by nudged one another, and the women elevated their heads a little and heard nothing.

The "Man-Eater."

Lower California is the home of a species of lizard which appears to be at least a second cousin to the famed "Gila monster." It is of a mottled yellow and brown color and about fifteen inches long. The natives of that region have given it the terrible name of "Man-eater," because it has a habit of attacking every human being it sees—going at them open-mouthed—but it does not appear to mind either wild or domestic animals. The man-eater's body is almost as brittle as that of the mythical "joint-snake."

Lost to Science.

The late Professor Hyrtl once at an examination asked the following question: "What can you tell me of the functions of the spleen?" The student, not wishing to confess his ignorance, replied hesitatingly: "I used to know, but it has unfortunately escaped me." "Unhappy man!" said Hyrtl; "you are the only one who ever knew anything about it, and you have forgotten it."

Ear Rings of Italian Women.

The ear rings worn by Italian women indicate the part of Italy the wearers come from: the longer the ear rings the farther south the women come from. In the extreme South most of the ear rings hang close to the shoulders; in the far North they are quite short.

VALUABLE REMEDY.

Inhaling Cologne Water Will Check Asthma, so It Is Said.

Attacks of asthma may be brought on by the most varied and singular causes; different sorts of scents, the odor of raspberries, as was the case of Claude Bernard; the smell of hay, the vapor of a sulphur match that has just been lighted, the dust from oats or powdered ipecacuanha. One patient will have asthma in the North, but will be free from it in the South; another will have asthma in Paris, but will be perfectly well in Vienna, still another will have the most terrible attacks as long as he is in Egypt, but will be relieved as soon as he gets to sea.

It is generally admitted nowadays that the attack of asthma is due to a spasm of the inspiratory muscles, and that the origin of the trouble is some stimulation of the nasal mucous membrane. On the other hand it is also known that a vigorous stimulation of the mucous membrane of the nose may put an end to an attack of asthma; therefore in this purely nervous phenomenon the same cause may either bring on or put an end to the attack.

It is on this peculiarity that are based a certain number of methods of treatment of an attack of asthma, and the latest born of these methods consists in sniffing eau de cologne. My readers may remember that I made known to them the process whereby M. Roux of Lyons cuts short colds in the head and chest at their beginning. It consists in having the patients inhale by the mouth and nose for about two minutes and about four or five times a day about fifty drops of cologne water. It is now claimed that the same method will put an end to an attack of asthma.

A BICYCLE BAND.

French Musicians Appear on the Streets Riding Wheels.

In Paris there are merry-go-rounds with bicycles attached, where the tyro can learn all the movements of cycling without falling off. One evening a band of forty musicians, returning home from a wedding dinner for which they had furnished the music, came upon such a merry-go-round and climbed into it.

As they had all been imbibing freely of the generous wines furnished at the wedding feast, nothing seemed to them more natural than to improvise a serenade as they whirled round and round.

The cornet went home with a terrible headache, and the bassoon dreamed that he was being sucked down into the maelstrom. But a few days afterward the leader convened the musicians and informed them that he intended to found "the bicycle band." The result was that in a few weeks the Fanfare-Cycle, forty players on wind and string instruments, mounted on "bikes" of artistic mechanism, began to appear on the streets of Paris, and to spin merrily along the wide boulevards to the inspiring notes of the overture to "William Tell" or the martial melodies of the French military muse.

At first they confined themselves to the exterior boulevards, fearing the comments of the great throngs which gathered on the central avenues of Paris. But gradually they became bolder, and now one often sees them, formed by fours, majestically skimming the noiseless pavements from the Madeleine to the Bastille.

Nothing Wasted in Paris.

Even the smallest scrap of paper, that which every one throws away here, becomes a source of profit. Old provision tins, for instance, are full of money; the lead soldering is removed and melted down into cakes, while the tin goes to make children's toys. Old boots, however bad, always contain in the arch of the foot at least one sound piece that will serve again, and generally there are two or three others in the sole, the heel, and at the back. Scraps of paper go to the cardboard factory, orange peel to the marmalade maker, and so on. The most valuable refuse—that which fetches two francs the kilo—is hair; the long goes to the hair dresser, while the short is used, among other things, for clarifying oils.

A Dog's Cemetery.

The Englishman's abiding affection for his four-footed friends receives another illustration. In Hyde park, the holy of holies of the London park system, is to be found a dog cemetery. It adjoins the parkkeeper's lodge at Victoria gate, and contains at present about eighty graves. The cemetery appears to be a private speculation of the keeper, who takes the fees, provides the tombstones and performs the duties of a sexton. The ordinary charge for an interment is five shillings; the monuments of course, vary. The keeper shows one which is said to have cost five pounds. The duke of Cambridge has two dogs buried there, and he seems to have started this public institution.

Little Practice in That Line.

A Chicago man in Lexington, soon after Garfield's death, was talking of the bungling of the surgeons, when one of the Kentuckians present remonstrated against the terrible treatment and its results. "Well, a Kentucky surgeon would have done no better," said the Chicagoan. "You are right, sah," replied the other; "Kentucky surgeons know nothing about treating wounds in the back, sah."

Better Times Coming.

Farmer Brown, after fourteen hours at haying—Never mind, Tommy; hayin' don't last forever. Just remember that winter's comin' soon, an' nothin' to do but saw wood an' tend the cattle an' go to school an' study nights."—Harper's Bazar.

LIFE OF OCEAN CABLES.

Some of the Oldest Submarine News Conductors Still in Active Use.

Noteworthy advances are being made in the art of submarine cabling, and some of the new cables are beautiful productions of modern ingenuity; but it is encouraging for those who have invested their money in ocean telegraphy to know that a very large proportion of the oldest cable still remains in active service. The primeval cables break once in a while, a repairing fleet is necessary, and an occasional new link needs insertion, but by dint of watching and patching the old cable enables the reserve funds laid aside for their renewal to take on such gratifying proportions that the stockholders could almost draw incomes from them alone. The latest Atlantic cables are distinctive chiefly for their greater weight of copper and dielectric and for the greater speed possible in transmission. One of them, with 500 pounds of copper per mile, gives a speed of forty words per minute easily, while the other, with 600 pounds, is said to be capable of fifty words. In the old days 400 pounds was good enough, and it remains to be seen whether this will not suffice for the deep waters of the Pacific. Cables have been laid in 2,800 fathoms, but in the Pacific 4,400 is figured on. Alexander Siemens, the distinguished young president of the English institute of electrical engineers, says that he knows the bottom of the Pacific as well as he does his own bedroom, owing to the method of sounding employed by his staff when cable-laying; but there is a trifle of hyperbole in the statement, and a few more investigations are needed, especially around the Friendly Islands and New Zealand, where depths of 4,000 fathoms appear to exist, and where cables lighter than the Atlantic types would probably have to be resorted to.

DINED IN BLACK.

Novel Method of a Woman for Commemorating Her Husband's Death.

Although the culinary art has in the last twenty years made rapid strides, still there is a sameness about dinner parties, which, to the habitual diner out, comes but little short of dull monotony.

Now and again however, one comes across a hostess whose imagination or eccentricity is the means of providing a meal for her guests upon lines other than those upon which the ordinary dinner is given.

Such a one was a lady who every year gave what she termed a memorial dinner on the anniversary of her husband's death.

The room in which the dinner was given was draped for the occasion in mauve and black, no other colors being visible. The tablecloth was likewise of mauve silk, while the only floral decorations in use were violets. The lady guests were arrayed in either black or mauve dresses; the footmen were dressed in black plush breeches, mauve silk stockings and black coats.

On dinner being announced the hostess took the head of the table, but on either side of her, seated upon two stools, sat two black poodle dogs, excellently clipped after the approved French fashion, and with mauve colored ribbon bows on their heads. These two dogs had been great pets of the lady's husband during his lifetime, and it was for this reason that they were allowed a seat among the guests at the dinner table.

The menu was remarkable for the absence of any color in the viands save mauve, the rest being either black or white. Thus the soup was white, likewise the fish and entrees, as regards the game, the lady got over the difficulty, or at least met it half way, by providing blackcock. The sweets were either mauve colored or white, while at the end of the dinner black coffee was served.

TOO POOR TO PRINT REPORTS.

The National Academy of Sciences Has But One Endowment Legacy.

The National academy of sciences is not popularly known to the American public, although established by congress as a representative institution of this country over thirty-one years ago. The academy includes in its list of members many of the most honorable names in American science, and is of such rank that it has been a board of appeal upon a number of governmental questions which required expert scientific judgment. One of its important functions, too, is the awarding of medals and gratuities for meritorious progress in scientific research.

It has no funds, however, with the exception of a single legacy, and cannot publish its reports. This is the \$42,000 estate left by Alexander Dallas Bache of Philadelphia, and its income has contributed to the prosecution of original American research in physics. The university of Pennsylvania, where Mr. Bache was a professor, the Franklin institute, of which he was a promoter; Girard college, of which he was the first president, and the public schools of Philadelphia, of which he was superintendent, all honor the memory of this earnest scientist.

Prepared.

A self-important little country gentleman entered Baron Haussmann's office in Paris one day, having some complaint to make, and proceeded to state his errand in a pretty lofty tone, and without taking off his hat. The officer was equal to the occasion. "Wait a moment," he said, and he rang a bell. A servant answered the summons. "Bring me my hat," said the officer. The hat was brought, the officer put it on, and turned to his caller. "Now," said he, "I will hear you."

PAY OF PREACHERS.

Congregationalists Get the Largest Salaries and Baptists the Lowest.

Ministerial salaries are generally higher in cities than in towns and villages. The bishops form a class of ministers by themselves. The largest Episcopal income is \$12,500, including house rent, but the lowest is \$3,000, with \$300 for traveling expenses. The average income of a bishop is \$5,000 a year. The salaries of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church average \$5,000, and those of Roman Catholic bishops range from \$3,000 to \$5,000 and a house. The college presidents receive as incomes \$5,000 and upwards. The Methodists have 16,500 traveling preachers, and their average salary is \$347; though the income of some of the foremost Methodist preachers is from \$5,000 to \$7,000. The vast number receive on an average not more than \$500 a year. The Congregationalists are very liberal toward their ministers. The average salary in Massachusetts is \$1,474, and there are two churches in Boston which pay \$7,000 each. There are in the denomination thirty-six pastorates which yield each \$5,000 and upward. The average salary among the Presbyterians is between \$1,000 and \$1,200 a year. They have one parish, that of Dr. John Hull of New York, which pays \$15,000 a year and a parsonage, and as a rule their ministers are liberally provided for. The wealthiest denomination in the United States is the Jewish, but it makes no returns of its salaries. The average clergy in the Episcopal church obtain \$300 a year, but in many cases the income is \$10,000, and in a large number of instances \$5,000. The Baptists pay very low salaries. Probably no Baptist pastor in any of our cities receives more than \$6,000, with one exception. The Lutherans pay small salaries, but usually give in fees and other perquisites quite as much as in the salary. In only a single instance do they pay \$5,000 a year.

HIS LIFE PRESERVER.

He Found It Very Uncomfortable Wear for a Night-Cap.

Captain Westfall was, until seven years ago, commander of a steamboat plying on the Ohio river. The captain happened to be on deck about midnight, when a young fellow came dashing out of his room with a dissatisfied look on his face. Of course, the captain wanted him to be comfortable, and went up to him.

"What's the matter?" he asked.

"I can't sleep," was the answer.

"Why, are you sick?"

"No; but I can't go to sleep with one of those d—d things on," the man grumbled.

"What things?"

"One of those life-preservers."

"What in the world did you get into one of those circular life-preservers for?"

"What did I do it for?"

"Yes."

"Why, isn't it the rule of the boat that passengers are not allowed to go to bed without having on one of those concerns?"

The captain smiled. "You've been worked," said he.

"What?" he gasped, shamefacedly.

"A cousin of mine warned me when I left home to be sure and put on a life-preserver or you wouldn't let me ride."

The young man slipped back into the state room and the captain did not hear from him further.

Where Lightning Is Most Destructive.

The continued and careful observations which the meteorologists of the world have made during the past twenty years only serve to strengthen the remark made by the author of "Abdill's Theory of Electric Storms," namely, "that the majority of fatal and destructive lightning strokes occur in level, open country." Trees, villages and thickly built up towns and cities, by their numerous projections and their network of rails, wires, etc., seem to neutralize or scatter the electric forces, thereby protecting both the animate and the inanimate from direct strokes of the death-dealing fluid.

Very Grand Ladies.

A visitor at an Irish country-house once heard a new under-keeper from Connaught telling a colleague from the County Clare that the avenue leading to his last employer's residence was forty-two miles long. "Be me sowl," said the Clare man, "it's not meself that would like to be set down at the lodge gates on an empty stomach within half an hour of dinner-time." After some further conversation, the Connaught man began to dilate upon the splendor of his late master's family. He reached a truly dramatic climax by saying: "An' every night of their lives at home the ladies strip for dinner."

Houses for Trolley Wires.

Chemnitz, Saxony, has banished horses from her street cars and substituted the trolley. The method of stringing wires is by means of ornamental rosettes fastened into the woodwork or walls of houses, having projecting hooks to which the wires are attached. These hooks are firmly fastened, and are tested by seven times the weight they will be called upon to bear. Owners of houses without exception prefer to allow the use of their houses free rather than have posts on the sidewalks.

A Rare Bird.

Among the large variety of birds which are to be found in the islands of the south of New Zealand is a species of paroquet, which is very plentiful. These islands do not contain a single stick of bush of any description and the birds build their nests in the grass. They are not to be found in any other part of the world.

A REMARKABLE PONY.

An Affectionate Animal That Shows Almost Human Intelligence.

John C. Krantz of Baltimore is the owner of a Western pony in which he takes a great deal of pride. The horse is named Dick and is one of those pieces of horse flesh which seem to have almost human understanding. Dick is small enough to go through the small door cut in the stable door which is intended for the entrance of a man. He prefers to enter by the smaller door and sometimes tries to take the carriage to which he is harnessed in with him. This, it is needless to say, results in failure. He considers himself above the common herd and with good reason.

He will not have his harness put on in the stable, but must be taken into the office for that purpose. He then consents to be led out to be hitched to the carriage. Dick is very fond of cream peppermint drops; the ordinary lozenges he will not touch. In order to get these at the end of each drive he is taken to one of Mr. Krantz's stores. His driver then goes inside for the candies. If he wishes to do so Dick will calmly walk across the pavement and enter the door, much to the amusement of the on-lookers and the edification of the children. The sweetmeats are given to the animal and he backs out.

He always gazes after his master with a look of inquiry in his eyes, and puts his fore feet on the pavement when Mr. Krantz leaves the carriage. Mr. Krantz thinks his pet can be taught to do almost anything, and if he had the time would try to educate Dick himself. The horse is very fond of his master, and on all occasions shows this affection. There is nothing too good for Dick and he evidently deserves it.

YOUNG, BUT WISE.

What a Little French Girl Saw at a Ball to Amuse Her.

The little French girl stood at my elbow while I wrote. She was leaning on the window sill, one little hand supporting her black head. Far across the lawn she could hear the rise and fall of music and the sound of laughter and of tripping feet. I was very lonely. It wasn't complimentary to the little French girl, but the little French girl did not care for dancing and I did. Suddenly she gave a little laugh.

"Why are you giggling?" I asked rather crossly.

"Because the world amuses me," she murmured.

A very good reason to be sure. But when the world amused me I never laughed. Patinette is more than clever for ten years, and more bizarre in her notions than clever, so I asked: "Why does it amuse you?"

"Well, par example, is it not bete to dance, to dance always one way, round and round with no aim, to get nowhere, only to go round, to twirl?"

"Yes; very stupid."

"And is it not bete to stay up till 12 when one's bed is ready at 8 and one's eyes sleep?" And is it not stupid to wear a decolete gown and long gloves when one's arms are prettier than one's neck? The world 'm'amuse!' And she laughed softly to herself, and I could not help thinking what she said was true; and I no longer envied the merry-makers, but thought anyone would envy me my solitude and my intellectual companion. Some moods need only a straw to balance them.

HE PULLED HIM OUT.

And Then Found That He Had Helped Out a Family Quarrel.

The other evening, as a muscular person was passing a house, a lady who stood at the gate called out to him: "Sir, appeal to you for protection!"

"What's the matter?" he asked, as he stopped short.

"There's a man in the house and he wouldn't go out of doors when I ordered him to."

"He wouldn't, eh? We'll see about that." Thereupon the man gave the woman his coat to hold and sailed into the house. He found a man at the supper table and took him by the neck and remarked: "Nice kind of a brute you are, eh? Come out of 'this or I'll break every bone in your body!"

The man fought, and it was not until a chair had been broken and the table upset that he was hauled out of doors by the legs, and given a fling through the gates.

"Now, then, you brass-faced old tramp, you move on, or I'll finish you!"

"Tramp! tramp!" shouted the victim, as he got up. "I'm no tramp! I own this property and live in this house!"

"You do?"

"Yes, and that's my wife holding your coat."

"Thunder!" whispered the muscular man as he gazed from one to the other, and realized that it was the wife's method of finishing a row she had been having with her husband. And then he made a grab for his coat and disappeared into the darkness.

A Bible That Weighs 320 Pounds.

The largest bible in the world is to be found in Rome. It is written in Hebrew and weighs 320 pounds. It is as much as three men can do to carry it. In the year 1512 a syndicate of Venetian Jews offered Pope Julius II. the weight of the bible in gold, but his holiness declined to part with it. At the present value of gold the bible would be worth \$875,000.

From Jersey.

The reed bird delicate and delicious lay supine on a bit of toast, when Uncle Caleb of New Jersey sat down. "Are you fond of the little fowl?" asked the hostess. "Well," he replied, "ez fur taste, they're fine. But ez fur 'pearance, I must say they remind me of a mosquiter growed up."

THE WORKING CHINESE.

They Leave Home to Make Money and Go Back to Enjoy It.

"I remember during our civil war," said a Mississippi planter, "hearing an old negro on my father's plantation say that the war was necessary because the people were getting too thick and the Lord would thin them out. I think this reason might be fully as appropriate in reference to the present Chinese and Japanese quarrel. Chinamen swarm not only in portions of our country, but wherever they can get a foothold. The cities in the East Indies are full of them. They are shop-keepers, farmers and particularly mechanics. Hardly a mechanic of any description can be found there who is not a Chinaman. Incessant and indefatigable workers, they save a competency, and sometimes large fortunes, and then return to China to live at their ease. Many well-to-do Chinamen go home before their youth is passed, and marrying, stay a short time and then return to their money-making, and in many cases, their temporary and foreign wives. No respectable Chinese woman ever leaves her native land, for it is against the law, and even if their lives were not forfeited on their return, all social standing would be lost to them. On this account the Chinamen do not bring their wives with them, and, though their sons that are born to them in foreign countries are brought up as Chinese, the daughters never go to China, but stay in the land of their birth."

SNAKE-KILLING IGUANAS.

These Large Lizards Make a Regular Job of Fighting Serpents.

"In South America," said a traveler recently, "snakes are very numerous. Perhaps the most notable of these snake-killers is the large lizard known as the iguana. The iguana is no mean adversary, as may be judged from the fact that dogs which attack one often come off with a broken leg. The lizard does not wait for the snake to take the offensive, but goes swiftly in pursuit, and being very rapid in its motions rarely has any difficulty in overtaking its victim, which it dispatches with blows from its powerful tail. I remember a funny experience I had with one of these lizards which clearly illustrated its hatred for snakes. I was riding with a friend in search of cattle. My lasso was attached to the saddle and the end trailed along the ground behind me.

"A big iguana lay in the sun apparently asleep. It paid no attention to my horse as it passed, but the next instant it raised its head and fixed its attention on the twenty feet of lasso slowly trailing by. Suddenly it rushed after the rope and dealt it a succession of violent blows with its tail. When the whole of the lasso, several yards of which had been dragged by, the lizard, with uplifted head, continued to gaze after it with evident astonishment. Never before had such a wonderful snake crossed its path."

By a Simple Twist of the Wrist.

Three new members were added to the naval pay corps the other day after the good old fashion. One was the son of an admiral, another the son of an army captain and grandson of an admiral, and the third the son of an influential Tennesseean bearing a high military title. It is a tradition in the pay corps that there was once an attempt to establish the system of competitive examinations as preliminary to the choice of appointees, and one of the few men that have entered the corps in that fashion once that he came up for examination in French and Spanish with the merest schoolboy rudimentary knowledge of the former and a good deal less of the latter. He came out near the head of the class, and a little judicious pressure upon his congressman eventually brought him his commission as assistant paymaster.

How They Got Skulls.

In one of his introductory lectures, in a recent semester, the late Professor Hyrtl addressed his hearers as follows: "Gentlemen, you must get possession of skulls. It is impossible to study anatomy unless you have skulls. Each of you must find means, any means, to get a skull." On the following morning he entered his auditorium with a sorrowful face. "Gentlemen," he began, "I fear some of you misunderstood me. You certainly have left no means untried to secure skulls. I noticed that my handsome collection was almost depleted this morning." The students had taken him at his word and induced the servants to divide out the skulls of Hyrtl, which formed one of the chief attractions to medical men in the famous teacher's house.

To Right the Wrong.

While the late Lord Coleridge was at Oxford, it was his duty as a fellow to read the lessons in chapel, and one day he read, by mistake, the second lesson where he should have read the first. To conclude it in the orthodox way was hardly correct, as it was not the second lesson, but the first; nor could it well be described as the first lesson, as properly it was the second. A moment's hesitation supplied him with the appropriate word: "Here endeth the wrong lesson."

Ringless Curtain Pole.

In the English curtain pole made by an English firm there is an undercut groove in the under side of the pole, in which work a set of metal eyes, which hang out of the opening of the groove, and roll in it on small rollers working in the undercut portion of the groove. It is ingenious and simple, and certainly seems likely to work more smoothly than the ordinary curtain ring.

GHOST PARTIES.

They Were so Called Because Nobody Ever Attended Them.

"Of course you have been asked to one or two of Mrs. A.'s ghost parties?" said a clever woman of the world to one of the acknowledged social leaders at a well-known watering place.

"I have been asked there to dine once or twice," answered the great lady, "but never heard of any spiritual manifestations at her house. What do you mean?"

"But did you go there at all?" persisted the other.

"No; it so happened I was engaged both times she asked me," returned Mrs. —, rather surprised at the catchism.

"Well, no one else has been there either, although she has asked every one of note in the place," exclaimed her interlocutor triumphantly, "and that is why I call her functions 'ghost parties,' as they are only the shadows of the substance, the dinner itself being purely imaginary. Why, that woman has gained a reputation for entertaining and has received no end of dinner invitations on absolutely nothing at all. I have suspected her tactics for some time and now I am quite sure that what I assert is quite true—that in nine cases out of ten her dinners are purely imaginary. She has a clever way of finding out who is engaged, to whom, and then she asks people whom she knows cannot come to her house, and so scores for her social account with no other outlay than her crested paper and dainty seal. And I fancy she is not the only one either who has discovered this very economical way of returning or compelling social obligations."

WON BRIDE AND BANK.

How Young Mr. Labouchere Rose to Eminence.

In 1822 Mr. Labouchere, a relative of the present member of parliament of that name, was clerk in the banking house of Hope of Amsterdam. One day he was sent by his patrons to Mr. Baring, the celebrated London banker, and displayed in the affair so much ability as to entirely win the esteem and confidence of the English banker.

"Faith," said Labouchere one day to Baring, "your daughter is a charming creature. I wish I could persuade you to give me her hand."

"Young man, you are joking, for seriously you must allow that Miss Baring could never become the wife of a simple clerk."

"But," said Labouchere, "if I were in partnership with Mr. Hope?"

"Oh, that would be quite a different thing; that would entirely make up for all other deficiencies."

Returning to Amsterdam Labouchere said to his patron:

"You must take me into partnership."

"My young friend, how can you think of such a thing? It is impossible. You are without fortune, and—"

"But, if I became the son-in-law of Mr. Baring?"

"In that case the affair would soon be settled, and so you have my word."

Fortified with these two promises, Labouchere returned to England and two months after married Miss Baring, because Mr. Hope had promised to take him into partnership, and he became allied to the house of Hope on the strength of that promise of marriage.

SMALL, BUT WIDE AWAKE.

The Little Lady Did Not Take Kindly to Being Questioned.

She was a cute, pretty little thing, so small that her feet didn't touch the floor of the car. It worried her, too, for occasionally she impatiently tugged away at her skirt to hide the display of silken black hose. A large, mouthy, self-satisfied man took a seat beside her.

"On your way home, little girl?" he asked.

She stared an instant, then smiled and replied precociously:

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Been shopping?"

"Oh, yes, sir," she said, with an awkward little jump.

"What have you in your bundle?" asked the inquisitive man. "Something nice for lunch, I dare say."

"Oh, yes, if you please, sir," she said, "I have some tea."

"Isn't your ma afraid to let you go down alone?" he asked after a pause.

"In daytime?" she said, in surprise.

"Oh, no, sir. The fact is," she said as the car stopped and she arose, "mother died three weeks after my marriage and she doesn't care whether I go out at night or not. The chances are that hubby would kick if I went out alone."

And then as she looked him square in the face he noted with astonishment that her hair was just turning gray.

Had Both Tusks and Horns.

The skeleton of some queer extinct amphibious animal unearthed at Shellville, Cal., measures twelve feet from the cranium to the tip of the tail. The under jaw is four feet long. The fore legs are each five feet in length, and the hind ones, which resemble "flippers" more than true legs, are only eighteen inches long, and jointed only at the hip. Two strong tusks project from the upper jaw, and on the head are situated two horns of three prongs each. It was found in a clay bed twenty feet beneath the surface.

It Comes From Oregon.

Much of the fine fruit which is sold on the street stands as a California product comes in reality from Oregon, and the natives of the latter state are beginning to grow jealous of their big sister stealing their thunder. An Oregon man, now in New York, says that all the best Oregon fruit is bought by Californians and shipped East as a California product.

WOULD LIVE ROYALLY.

He Had But Half a Year to Live, But Would Make It Gay.

Heroes do not always die on battlefields. We all know that, but now and then the truth of the statement is exemplified in a manner that is forceful. One evening there came into the room where I sat a beautiful woman, tastefully attired. Her eyes were unnaturally brilliant, and in her cheeks there flamed a color like a stain of blood. I recognized her at once as a well-known and highly successful teacher in one of Chicago's public schools. There was something about her appearance that surprised me, for heretofore upon the occasions when we had met she had been notable for the plainness, not to say the shabbiness of her attire. The rich velvet of the cape she wore and the felver on her elegant hat caused me to exclaim:

"Why, how handsome you look. What have you struck?"

"Death," was the answer. "The doctors have told me to-day that I have an incurable disease and cannot possibly live longer than six months. I have scrimped myself all my life to save money and buy books and cultivate my mind. I am through with all that; now I am going to take a hand at the material pleasures. If I have but a half year to live I'll live royally."

Since that time she has wasted rapidly, but the room where she lies is full of flowers and objects of beauty. The gowns she wears are creations of beauty, and she allows no mourning, nor any allusion to her fate in her presence. She faces death with an absolute heroism that makes one want to applaud rather than to weep. This manifestation is not so grand as the manifestation of moral courage might be, but there is something about it which makes the blood tingle a bit.

PLANTED.

But It Was Accomplished Only by the Aid of Cannons.

Alexander Nasmyth, the landscape painter, was a man fruitful in expeditions. To his mind the fact that a thing could not be done in the ordinary manner was no reason why it should be given up. His son relates the following interesting example of his ingenuity: "The duke of Athol," says he, "consulted him as to some improvements which he desired to make in his woodland scenery near Dunkeld. Among other things, a certain rocky Craig needed to be planted with trees to relieve the grim barrenness of its appearance. The question was how to do it, as it was impossible for any man to climb the Craig in order to set seeds or plants in the clefts of the rocks.

"A happy idea struck my father. Having observed in front of the castle a pair of small cannons, used for firing salutes on great days, it occurred to him to turn them to account. A tin-smith in the village was ordered to make a number of canisters with covers. The canisters were filled with all sorts of suitable tree seeds. The cannons were loaded and the canisters were fired up against the high face of the rock. They burst and scattered the seed in all directions. Some years after, when my father revisited the place, he was delighted to find that his scheme of planting by artillery had proved successful; the trees were flourishing in all the recesses of the cliff."

A CURIOUS COURTSHIP.

How the Question Is "Popped" in Burmah.

Mr. Mortimer Menpes, while traveling in the East in search of subjects, came upon a curious form of courtship. Sketching one day in Burmah he noticed a man a little distance off glaring fiercely straight ahead of him at some object he could not see from his position. The man sat with the same fixed glare the whole of the afternoon, and was there again the next morning. Mr. Menpes had the curiosity to ask an English visitor what it meant. The reply was:

"Oh, he is in love."

It was explained that this was their method of courtship. The object of this man's attentive glare was a girl in a neighboring bazaar. When a man falls in love he has to seat himself at a certain distance from his adored, and wait for her to do the rest. If she looks in his direction once or twice on the first or second day he is wildly encouraged, and if on the third day she nods at him and smiles it is time to go to the parents with reference to the marriage settlements.

Not to Be Surpassed.

When the opera company was in New York the ladies of that city were bitten by a mania for obtaining autographs of the artists, and would send their books with requests for signatures to be appended. In one of these books Signor Campanini had signed his name, and some one had written after it: "The finest tenor in the world." Shortly afterward the same book reached Ravelli, whose knowledge of English was rather more peculiar than extensive. He saw the addendum to the signature of his friend and could not at first understand it. However, somebody explained the meaning to him, and when the owner of the book received it back she found written under the flattering description of Signor Campanini: "Luigi Ravelli, me, too."

Sandwich Soldiers.

An ingenious Belgian has constructed a double bullet-proof cuirass to protect both front and back, and his idea is that in times of peace it should be employed as a pair of sandwich boards and worn by the soldiers. In this way much revenue would come to the army, and the forces would be kept out of mischief.

ALLEGED BOODLERS.

Official Corruption Charged at St. Joseph.

INVESTIGATION WANTED.

The Police Charged With Standing in With Gamblers and Disreputable Classes.

ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 29.—City Attorney James Mytton has made formal charges against the police force and the police judge that, if proved, will not only call for a public investigation, but may cause Governor Stone to haul Police Commissioners Van Natta, Ryan and Trice over the coals.

The attorney charges that gambling houses run wide open all over the city; that the police visit them and watch the playing, at the same time accepting drinks and cigars from the proprietors, and when compelled to make arrests take into custody only the keeper, letting the players continue the game and releasing the proprietor on his own recognizance; that the police judge and captain of police hold star chamber sessions of the police court, admitting no one but arrested gamblers and keeping the city attorney in ignorance of the trial and imposing the lowest possible fine on gamblers, without compelling them to appear.

This state of affairs, Mytton charges, has been brought to the notice of Police Commissioners Van Natta, Ryan and Trice, but so far they have declined to interfere.

During the last race meeting here Governor Stone brought the police commissioners up with a round turn for permitting gambling at the race track and hinted at removals if the gambling in St. Joseph was not stopped. It is expected that when he is informed of the present state of affairs one or more of the police commissioners will lose their heads.

SOLD FOR \$65,000.

The Minter Building Belongs to the O'Meara Realty Co.

Lieutenant Governor John B. O'Meara and Frank Hunleith, both of St. Louis, arrived in the city Monday morning, and before the noon hour the latter gentleman and Alex Kilpatrick, also of St. Louis, had disposed of the Minter building in this city to the O'Meara Realty Co., of St. Louis, the consideration being \$65,000.

Governor O'Meara stated to a DEMOCRAT reporter that he had never seen the property until this morning, but that he had purchased it on the recommendation of his friend, Senator Chas. E. Yeater, and believed the investment was a good one.

DR. FRAKER'S LETTER.

His Well Worded Sentiments About the Bible Were a Bold Plagiarism.

During the Fraker trial in the United States circuit court at Kansas City recently a letter written by Dr. Fraker to his nephew, Adolph Fraker, was read before the jury. In the letter, which the DEMOCRAT reproduced, Dr. Fraker advised his nephew to read his bible and discussed the teachings of that book of books.

The language and sentiment were so beautiful that Judge Philips took occasion to compliment the writer, and the lawyers in their arguments spoke of it frequently.

It was suspected that it was plagiarized, but no one knew

CURES OTHERS.

Mrs. WILLIAM ROBERTS, Bridgeport, N. Y., writes: "If I had not taken your medicine, I would not be here now. The doctors did me no good, I was just a mere skeleton, could not eat, I would have awful pain in my stomach—pain in my side, bowels and chest; soreness in my back and womb; was weak, nervous, and could not sleep. After I took your 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' I commenced to improve. In two weeks could walk about the house—could eat—did not have any more pain in my stomach—threw away my morphine powders. When I first commenced taking the medicine it made me feel worse. I was hoarse, could not speak aloud for three days; as I got better my pains and bad feelings left me and I could sleep good; my nerves got better. Before I took your medicine I kept my bed four months—got worse all the while. I am now quite fleshy and can work all day."

WEYNOU?

from whom. Recently C. J. Baker, the tent and awning builder, sent to the Kansas City Star an article published by Soper & Co. of Detroit, Mich., in which the same language and sentiment appear.

It is printed on a long sheet of paper and is evidently intended for exactly the same use as Dr. Fraker seems to have made of it. The firm from which it comes prepares just such extracts for the benefit of college boys who have orations to write and others who wish to make use of better literary work than they themselves can produce.

LOVE CAUSED IT.

C. N. Beale, of St. Joseph, Took Morphine.

C. N. Beale, of St. Joseph, a young man, aged 25, arrived at Breckinridge Saturday morning and visited a daughter of Robert C. Roath.

On Sunday morning he registered at the Caldwell house, and at night he again called on Miss Roath and returned to the hotel about 11 o'clock, apparently in good health. He retired to his room immediately after returning.

Not making his appearance at breakfast a boy was sent up, who, on forcing the door open, found him dead in bed. A white powder was scattered on the carpet near the bed, and on making a search an envelope was found under the carpet, containing about ten grains of morphine. The coroner's verdict was death from an overdose of morphine self-administered with suicidal intent.

AN OUTLAW FORTRESS.

The Cliff From Which the Sizemore Band Shot Down Travelers.

On the left bank of the Holston river in Hawkins county, Tennessee, is a cliff which has some local fame. It is of solid stone, perpendicular from the base up, and is something over a hundred feet high. From the top of it the country is visible for miles and miles, affording a grand view of the hill, mountain and stream. A few feet back from the edge are still plainly to be seen the earthworks forming the rendezvous of the celebrated Sizemore and his gang of desperadoes. From the top of the cliff they commanded a full view of a much used public road, together with two fords above and below, and a great number of hapless soldiers as well as private citizens who had lucklessly incurred their anger fell victims to their unerring rifle bullets as they attempted to pass all unconscious of danger. Very near this cliff is a little cave at least a mile deep, on the sides of which are written the names of once prominent people who have long since passed away, the dates running back perhaps a hundred years. In one of the caverns is a perfect little table formed of a flat rock. During the war this cave was used by some soldiers as a place for making saltpeter, the hoppers being still in a state of preservation, the earth looking as if it had been dug but recently.

Other United States Than Ours.

There is, of course, but one United States in our estimation, but as a matter of fact the designating title which we are in the habit of assigning to our own country alone is borne by four other nationalities. They are the United States of Mexico, which came into official being in 1824; the United States of Colombia, which succeeded New Granada in 1861; the United States of Venezuela in 1864, and the United States of Brazil, which were established in 1889.

A Tablet for a King.

A tablet recently set up at Naples commemorates the bravest act done by a king in this century, the visit of King Humbert to the cholera sufferers in 1884. It stands near the spot where the excommunicated king, Cardinal San Felice and the archbishop of Naples met while passing through the hospital in the performance of their duties.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of bad colds. It opens the secretions, relieves the lungs and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. If freely used as soon as the cold has been contracted, and before it has become settled in the system, it greatly lessens the severity of the attack and has often cured in a single day what would have been a severe cold. Chamberlain's remedies at Fleischmann's, 4th & Ohio.

Butted by a Cow.

Mrs. Bellows, wife of a laborer living at Twentieth street and Grand avenue, was quite seriously hurt, about 5 o'clock Monday evening, by being butted by a cow. The lady was knocked to the ground, after which the animal stepped upon her back, injuring it quite badly. Dr. Heaton attended her.

Not Enough Limbs.

The "living picture" show did not do well in Carthage, not because of any squeamishness on the part of the Carthaginians, but because it became noised about there were very few pictures.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma

COXEY'S SCHEME.

He Wants Idle Men All Put to Work.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Wants Non-Interest Bearing Bonds Issued and Money Based Upon Them for Public Works.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—Among the famous populist leaders who are in the city in attendance upon the conference of that party is General Coxe, who became known to fame by leading a band of unemployed men to the national capital last summer to ask congress for such legislation as would give them employment on public works.

In an interview last night Mr. Coxe explained at some length his none-interest-bearing bond scheme. His proposition for the solving of the financial and labor problems is for all municipalities, towns, counties and townships to issue non-interest-bearing bonds to the amount of half their assessed property valuation, these bonds to run for twenty-five years, and to deposit these bonds as security for the payment of the money with the secretary of the treasury at Washington, making it mandatory upon the secretary to issue the face value of the bonds in full legal tender money.

"These bonds," he said, "would be deposited with the secretary of the treasury at Washington as security that this money would be paid back in twenty-five years in annual installments, or at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, all payments to be applied on the principal, without interest. Then the secretary of the treasury would issue the face value of these bonds in legal tender money, amounting, for instance, to \$100,000, holding out \$1,000 as the actual cost of making the money. Therefore, \$99,000 would be sent to the city and placed in the hands of the city treasurer, to be paid out for building electric light plants, water works, school houses and paving the streets, and all kinds of public improvements. This would furnish employment to the army of idle working men. When this work is begun there is \$2 worth of assessed property back of every dollar received. When the work is completed and the \$99,000 has been paid out, just \$99,000 of additional value has been created in public works. This makes \$299,000 worth of property back of the \$100,000 of money the government has loaned the city, or \$3 worth of property back of every \$1 received. The people are taxed to raise the 4 per cent per annum to be paid on the principal, and at the end of twenty-five years all the bonds are cancelled and the people have not paid a cent of interest as tribute to any corporation for the use of the money. I think my scheme is much superior to Secretary Carlisle's currency plan.

This plan of mine is elastic," continued "General" Coxe. "It can be applied to the purchase of railroads, telegraphs and telephones by the government.

IN A DUGOUT.

Band of Robbers Captured Near Oregon, Mo.

Sheriff Cook, of Holt county, and a posse of deputies, yesterday captured a band of robbers whose depredations have caused great annoyance of late to the people in the neighborhood of Oregon. The robbers were ensconced in a dugout in the vicinity of the iron bridge near Forbes and were heavily armed.

In their possession was found about 1,000 pounds of flour, which had been stolen from the Forest City Milling company, a beef, two hogs, which had just been butchered the night before, a barrel of syrup and a lot of other provisions. They had nine head of good horses and a good outfit of blankets, etc. One of them claimed to be a minister, and had been to Sunday school about two hours before he was captured.

Some time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum, of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with a lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. Chamberlain's Remedies at Fleischmann's, 4th & Ohio.

A LOVER TO HIS LASS.

After Reading the Medical Press.

HE.
Take, oh! take those lips away!
Not but that I want to kiss them.
Not but that, believe me, pray,
I most ardently shall miss them.
Heretofore, you know I've joyed
In our frequent lip-communion;
Never yet have I been cloyed
With the sweetest of labial union:
'Tis on other grounds I say
"Take, oh! take those lips away!"

My decision is no whim.
Due, my love, to fit of vapors,
'Tis the consequence most grim
Of pursuing doctor's papers.
For these journals now declare,
With malign persistence, Beryl,
That each kiss in which we share
Reeks (excuse the word) with peril.
That is why I'm forced to say,
"Take, oh! take those lips away!"

For myself I'd run the risks,
I would face, with greatest pleasure,
Millions of atonic pills.
For the love of you, my treasure;
But I feel concern for you—
Such concern I cannot mask it—
And that you should face the doom—
No! I can not, dare not, ask it.
So, again, I sadly say,
"Take, oh! take those lips away!"

SHE.
Try not thus to me dissuade,
For in vain is your endeavor.
What shall I shrink back afraid,
When my Edwin dares? No, never!
Daring, you know well our case,
Love has bound us in one tether,
So, I'll face the doctor's face,
We will face them both together.
As you love me, then, don't say,
"Take, oh! take those lips away!"

HE AND SHE.
We will never be coerced
By the bullying bacillus.
Doctors, though they say their worst,
With dismay face our undimmed
Let us, therefore, both of us,
Their last raven-croak dismissing,
Show that thus—and thus—and thus!
He still means to kiss.
Neither of us means to say,
"Take, oh! take those lips away!"
—London Truth.

Land for Sale.

I have about 700 acres of excellent prairie land in the best part of Vernon county, fairly well improved, less than five miles from stations on three railways. If sold before renting for next year I will sell it very low and on easy terms, and in tracts to suit purchasers. Will take Pettis county land in exchange.

A. P. MOREY.

Notice.

The place to sell your second-hand goods is at 207 West Main street, where you will find Chas. Simmons, the furniture and upholsterer.

JOHN M. GOODKNIGHT,
Proprietor.

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.
A box of
BEECHAM'S PILLS
constitutes a family medicine chest.
Sick Headache, Weak Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Giddiness, Fullness, Swelling after meals, Dizziness, Drunkenness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Shortness of Breath, Constipation, Blisters on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, and all nervous and trembling sensations are relieved by using these PILLS. Covered with a Tasteless and Soluble Coating. Of all druggists. Price 25 cents a box. New York Depot, 335 Canal St.

Trustee's Sale.
Whereas, Jennie Krueger and Frank Krueger, her husband, did, on the fifteenth day of January, 1894, execute their deed of trust conveying to the undersigned certain real estate to secure to Jno. L. Hall the payment of certain promissory notes in said deed of trust described. And whereas, it is provided by said deed of trust that said Jennie Krueger and husband should make certain monthly payments to the Midland Savings and Loan Association of Sedalia, Mo., the same being a prior lien on said property, and in default of said John L. Hall, notice is hereby given that I will, on

Saturday, the Nineteenth Day of January, 1895,

proceed to sell the said real estate to-wit: Lot number one of Stewart & Thompson's sub-division of lots six, seven and eight of block thirty-seven, original plat of the city of Sedalia, Mo., as described as beginning at the northeast corner of said lot six in said block 37, thence west along the south side of the alley 35 feet, thence south parallel to said alley 35 feet, thence east parallel to said alley 35 feet, thence north along the alley to the beginning. At the west door of the court house in the city of Sedalia, Missouri, for cash in hand, to satisfy the said notes and the interest thereon, and to pay the costs of this sale.

A. P. MOREY, Trustee.

Sedalia, Mo., Dec. 28, 1894.

Order of Publication.

STATE OF MISSOURI, ss
COUNTY OF PETTIS.
In the probate court for the county of Pettis, Missouri, term, 1894.
L. C. Falkner, executor of Levi Falkner, deceased, presents to the court his petition, praying for an order for the sale of so much of the real estate of said deceased as will pay and satisfy the remaining debts due by said estate, and yet unpaid for want of sufficient assets, accompanied by the accounts, lists and inventories required by law in such case, on examination whereof it is ordered that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased be notified that application as aforesaid has been made, and that unless the contrary be shown on or before the first day of the next term of this court, to be held on the

Second Monday of February next, an order will be made for the sale of the whole, or so much of the real estate of said deceased as will be sufficient for the payment of said debts; and it is further ordered that this notice be published in some newspaper in Pettis county, this state, for four weeks before the next term of this court.

STATE OF MISSOURI, ss
COUNTY OF PETTIS.
I, James W. Walker, clerk of the probate court, held in and for said county, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of said order, as the same appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand, and seal of said court, at Sedalia, in said county, on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1895.

J. W. WALKER, Clerk.

U can't make a whistle out of a pig's tail . . .

Why you can not, we don't know, unless it's contrary to science.

People who go to Smithton to follow the band wagon of the circus into town, are liable to be so green as to allow people to stick their fingers in their heads. In the days of Leonidas, circus fakirs and magicians met the extreme penalty of the law—we read they were not only banished beyond the realm, but had to subsist on roasted warts and hair with the nits on.

BLAIR BROS'

Business intercourse with you for over twenty-five years should be a guaranty to you of a safety that fellows here today and somewhere else tomorrow cannot offer you. Mind you, there are no elements of jealousy and dog-hair in Blair Bros.' composition; they recognize and invite honest competitors—they aim to build themselves up, and not to tear the other fellow down.

We are having an unusual large business. Blair Bros. have confidence in the intelligence of the people—they know that a great many people know a thing or two, and this reason Blair Bros. are loaded with bargains for

Men, Boys and Children.

Blair Bros.' great sales continue every month in the year, and the first move they propose to make, and the first resolution they will offer when they get to congress will be to add another month to our twelve in a year, that they can further extend their usefulness.

BLAIR BROS'

Are here, will be here until Gabriel blows his horn to transact business on top of the table.

Go to Blair Bros.' for Clothing.

We Have The Goods, Call and See Them.



All makes of machines from \$15.00 to \$25.00.

Sedalia Gun and Machine Co.,

112 W. Second St. A. B. DEMPSEY, Mgr.

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue and authority of special execution issued by the circuit clerk of Pettis county, Missouri, and to me directed on the 26th day of December, 1894, in favor of Annie S. Moore and against Mary Ann Funk, Sica Moore, Richard Moore, Richard Moore, Anna L. Moore, Emily Moore Edith C. Johnson, Edwin J. Moore, William H. Moore, Enoch J. Moore, George M. Moore, James F. Moore, Jefferson Moore and Ida May Moore, the above having been assigned for the use of Pope Higgins, I have levied upon and seized all the right, title and interest of the above named Mary Ann Funk, Sica Moore, Richard Moore, Anna L. Moore, Emily Moore, Edith C. Johnson, Edwin J. Moore, William H. Moore, Enoch J. Moore, George M. Moore, James F. Moore, Jefferson Moore and Ida May Moore, in and to the following described real estate situated in the county of Pettis and state of Missouri, to-wit: In block twenty-two (22) in Cotton Brothers' addition to the city of Sedalia, Pettis county, Missouri. And I will on

Friday, the 18th day of January, 1895,

at the west front door of the court house in the city of Sedalia, Pettis county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. of said day, and while the circuit court is in session sell the above described real estate, for cash, to satisfy said execution and costs.

J. C. PORTER, Sheriff of Pettis County, Missouri.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Michael Goodknicht, deceased, will make final settlement of her accounts with said estate as such administrator at the next term of the probate court of Pettis county, Missouri, to be held at Sedalia, in said county, on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1895.

JESSIE GOODKNIGHT, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Burl L. Porter, deceased, will make final settlement of her accounts with said estate as such administrator at the next term of the probate court of Pettis county, Missouri, to be held at Sedalia, in said county, on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1895.

ADDIE PORTER, Administrator.

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LIKE ENOCH ARDEN.

L. B. Paxson's Mind a Blank for Twelve Years.

A VERY SINGULAR STORY.

The Little Town of La Cygne, Kansas, Furnishes It and It Reads Like a Romance.

The town of La Cygne, Kas., has an Enoch Arden story, the wanderer bearing the name of L. B. Paxson, well known in that part of the state thirteen years ago. In 1881 L. B. Paxson was one of a business firm known as Sturtevant, Paxson & Mitzel, dealing in agricultural implements. He had a wife and several children and was fairly prosperous.

In some of his trades he had become possessed of some mules, and in order to place them on the market, he drove them to Kansas City, leaving La Cygne on July 4, 1882. Acquaintances saw him in Kansas City after he had sold the mules. He started for Wyandotte to transact some business, and left the street car near the Kaw river bridge. That was the last seen or heard of Paxson. His disappearance was complete and inexplicable. Paxson's father came on from near Galva, Ill., and after all hope was abandoned of finding the missing man he purchased a small farm about three miles west of La Cygne, and there Mrs. Paxson took up the burdens of life, and with the aid of two young boys and three girls, soon had the rugged hillside fashioned into an attractive home. But it was a hard struggle.

Seven years had gone, and there was a legal presumption that Paxson was dead. Then Elias Spencer, a widower, sought the widow in marriage, and, after a time, was accepted, and she again moved to La Cygne. Spencer was a veteran of the Mexican war, and a wound long since healed became malignant, and he was soon a helpless charge on his new wife. After a time the household was broken up and Mr. Spencer went to the home of his son, at Fort Scott, to be cared for, and Mrs. Spencer took her children to Canon City, Colo., in order to escape from the scene of so much unhappiness. Spencer soon after died.

Three weeks ago a man got off the train at La Cygne and walked up through the town in a curiously observant manner. No one seemed to recognize him. He kept on fully a mile, until he came to the old M. T. Green property, and walked in as though he was at home. Strange faces greeted him and he asked if it was not the home of Mrs. Paxson. He seemed not to comprehend the statement that it was not. Shortly afterwards H. M. Woodruff, who has lived in La Cygne since Paxson left, passed a stranger on the street whom he thought he knew. It did not occur to him then that it was Paxson; but, after learning of his presence in the neighborhood, he was convinced that it was. A few hours later, Paxson went to the house of Wall Hutchins, whom he formerly knew, and incoherently asked about the Paxson family, saying that he was a lawyer seeking to put them in possession of a big estate. His manner was such as to convince Mrs. Hutchins, who did not recognize him, that he was crazy; but she gave him the addresses of two daughters, who are now living in Kansas City.

A letter was received in La Cygne from one of the girls in Kansas City saying their father had turned up alive, but was evidently deranged. She also wrote to her oldest brother, Silas Paxson, at Canon City, Col., who immediately came on to investigate matters. He found the father's mind almost a blank since the date of his disappearance in July, 1882. But in his incoherent mutterings the son heard something about a hospital at St. Joseph, Mo., and went up there to investigate. He learned that on the date of his father's disappearance a box car from Kansas City had carried to St. Joseph a man clad in an undershirt and trousers who was unconscious from a severe wound in his head. There was nothing whatever to identify him, and for three weeks he lay unconscious in the hospital. He finally recovered and was sent to an asylum, as his mind was left a blank. His strange case attracted attention, and one day a visitor recognized Paxson as an old college acquaintance, and tried to renew the friendship, but Paxson did not even know his own name. All efforts to help his beclouded brain failed, and his old-time friend

persuaded him to go with him and accept employment on his horse ranch in Montana. Paxson was in splendid physical health, and it was learned spent several useful years out there with his friends, who either gave up hope or were indifferent about finding his people. This year the market conditions compelled the abandonment of the Montana ranch, and Paxson drifted back to Kansas City, where a memory came to him of the Clark brothers, noted stockmen of Bates county, Mo., and he made his way down to them. They recognized him, and knowing of his strange disappearance sought to place him aright. From Bates county he went to La Cygne, and started back to his cottage home, just as he might have done twelve and a half years ago.

Paxson is evidently mentally unbalanced and it is pathetic to see him trying to grasp the details of his past life, and to unravel the tangle into which so many lives have been thrown. The son says much of his time is spent in weeping. He asks for the Mr. Clark with whom he thinks he lived in Montana, but who has not yet been found.

Mr. Paxson's daughters living in Kansas City are Sadie, who is 22 years old and who lives at 2816 East Sixth street, and Nora, who is 17 years old and lives at 1511 Wall road avenue. Both girls are employed as domestics.

When Paxson arrived in Kansas City after recovering his mind he called upon his daughter Sadie. There was no affecting reunion. The daughter recognized her father, but he did not know her. When he disappeared she was only 9 years old, and for many years she has been resigned to the belief that he was dead. She was both surprised and pleased to see him, but cannot yet fully realize that he is living. The younger daughter did not have the slightest recollection of her father. Her only memory regarding him is that the came to understand she was told by her mother that he had gone away and was undoubtedly dead. Neither of the girls can quite understand the blank in her father's memory reaching over a period of thirteen years. Regarding the events of today he is rational, but yesterday is a sealed book to him. Mr. Paxson left Kansas City yesterday morning to join his wife and three children.

CHALLENGES CREEDON.

English Middleweight Wants to Fight For \$1,000 a Side.

Ted Pritchard, the English middleweight, has announced his willingness to fight Dan Creedon at 11 stone for \$1,000 a side and the largest purse offered, the contest to take place in England.

Pritchard was beaten by Frank Craig recently and Creedon has defeated the latter twice. According to this line, Pritchard would have as much chance with Creedon as he had with Craig, who whipped him in a punch.

Creedon leaves St. Louis for Galveston, Tex., January 10, to meet Herman Bernau on the 19th inst. Bernau is the Texas heavyweight whom Steve O'Donnell put out in three rounds last week. In a letter to Creedon O'Donnell says Bernau is a big, strong, shifty fellow, who can punch hard, and that he (Creedon) had better not underestimate him too much. However, there is no danger of this, as Dan is working hard and will be ready to set a warm pace for Bernau when they come together.

Prof. Neil.

government chemist, writes: I have carefully analyzed your "Royal Ruby Port wine," bought by me in the open market, and certify that I found the same absolutely pure and well aged. This wine is especially recommended for its health-restoring and building up properties; it strengthens the weak and restores lost vitality; particularly adapted for convalescents, the aged, nursing mothers and those reduced and weakened by over-work and worry. Be sure you get "Royal Ruby," \$1 per quart bottles, pints 60 cts. Sold by A. S. McGowan.

Will Retain the Old Clerk.

Probate Judge Nichols entered upon his duties Wednesday and for the time being will retain Mr. James W. Walker as clerk. There is no gentleman in the county more competent than Mr. Walker and Judge Nichols made no mistake in retaining him.

Down Went McGinty.

So down go the prices on all Oak Heating Stoves. Moore's Airtight Heating Stoves at cost. Come and see them, and examine the Cold Water Oil Stoves, sold on a guarantee at 305 Ohio street by Sedalia Hardware Co.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

The Pettis County Debt Being Rapidly Paid.

MONEY IN ALL THE FUNDS.

The Splendid Showing That is Left of Record by the Retiring County Court.

The admirable business management of the county affairs by the retiring county court is a subject upon which the tax-payers may be congratulated while the members of the old court are complimented.

Judges Dalby and Conway, who lately retired from the county bench, were elected in 1890. They had the assistance of Judge Ferguson until January, 1893, and since that date that of Judge Franklin, who remains upon the bench for the next two years.

During all of this time the public affairs of Pettis county have been honestly, economically and judiciously managed, so that the retiring judges and their associates leave a record of which they may well be proud.

The abstract of the last annual settlement of County Treasurer Hughes, made on December 31st, 1894, shows money in every fund and a substantial decrease in the bonded debt of the county.

Following is the abstract of the annual settlement:

CASH ON HAND.	
County revenue account.....	\$ 1,806 25
Funding bond interest and sinking fund.....	24,776 08
Court house interest and sinking fund.....	15,623 58
Undistributed road tax.....	767 40
Undistributed school tax.....	2,482 21
Undistributed jury and witness fees.....	393 90
Capital school fund (principal).....	1,306 95
Capital school fund (interest).....	1,129 85
Funds of 61 road districts.....	803 35
Funds of 100 school districts.....	9,308 83
Amount transferred to Farnham.....	\$ 60,598 41
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.	
Funding bonds outstanding.....	\$300,000 00
Court house bonds outstanding.....	45,000 00
Total.....	\$345,000 00
Bonus called for payment Jan. 1st.....	\$ 20,000 00
Net bonded debt.....	\$325,000 00

Four years ago, when the retiring judges went upon the bench, the county owed of funding bonds \$350,000; of court house bonds \$65,000; making a total of \$415,000, which has been reduced \$90,000 in four years.

In addition to this there have been liberal but judicious expenditures for permanent public improvements. The court house has been repainted, repaired and put in perfect condition.

The old county poor farm which was an eye-sore to the progressive citizens of the county has been abolished and a splendid, comfortable county home provided for the unfortunate.

In addition to this the county court has had constructed fifteen iron bridges, at a cost of \$18,400, and 56 wooden bridges, at a cost of \$13,600, making a total expenditure of \$32,000 for these permanent improvements.

Besides this, liberal appropriations have been made to the various road districts out of the general revenue fund; these districts have been furnished with road-scrappers and road building machinery and tiling has been furnished for the permanent improvement of bad roads, so that the roads and bridges of Pettis county are in better condition than ever before.

The work has been of a character that will be permanent, and hereafter what would have been wasted in repairs of temporary makeshifts can be applied to permanent improvements.

All this, too, while the debts of the county were being paid and interest charges reduced.

This has required the constant intelligent and patriotic labors of the members of the court and other county officials and has involved an amount of work of which few persons have any adequate idea, and the gentlemen who have stepped down and out with this creditable record behind them are certainly entitled to the commendation, "Well done, good and faithful servants."

A New Deputy.

Mr. M. L. Imhoff Wednesday entered upon his duties as deputy under Recorder of Deeds McDougall. He is an accommodating gentleman and will no doubt prove a valuable assistant to Mr. McDougall.

She Met "Jimmie."

Mrs. J. P. Dixon, who is here from Monterey, Old Mexico, for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Donnohoe, met Mr. J. C. Thompson while visiting in the City of Mexico.

EVERLASTING BEN BOLT.

Dr. English, Its Author, Festered Hail to Death by its Omnipresence.

One sometimes gets too much of a good thing. Certainly Dr. Thomas Dunn English has got enough of "Ben Bolt," and people the world over know it to be a good thing. The author of this famous ballad is a member of congress from Essex county, New Jersey. He lives in Newark, but is often seen trudging along Broadway. Though well along in years he is as spry and his intellect is as keen as ever. Still he is pestered not a little by the fact that persons constantly allude to him as the author of "Ben Bolt." It's use in "Tribly" has made it more boresome than ever to Dr. English.

Said he: "Why, I was assured by one member of the house that his wife had won him years ago by the pretty and pathetic manner in which she had sung 'Ben Bolt' to him. Another told me that, like Dr. Coan in the Sandwich islands, his mother had sung him to sleep with 'Ben Bolt,' and, to cap the climax, I was introduced to a lady who had been christened 'Alice Ben Bolt.'"

"Who was the lady, doctor?"

"She was the daughter of General Pickett of Confederate fame."

"Whenever I got into a mood of indignation at some legislation adverse to my views," he went on in his musical way, "and expressed my indignation in strong and perhaps emphatic terms, some of the members would clap me on the back and sing: 'Don't you remember sweet Alice Ben Bolt? Sweet Alice, whose hair was so brown?'"

"This would put me in a rage. 'Confound it! I have often said, 'I begin to wish that either 'Ben Bolt' or I had never been born.'"

ELECTRICITY AS A FAD.

American and Other Notables Who Have Taken Up With the Study.

The number of wealthy persons in this country who study electricity as a hobby or means of recreation is becoming large, and it is believed that with the now universal practice of including electricity as part of the curriculum at our schools and colleges the ranks of such amateurs are destined to receive many important accessions. In Europe the young Emperor William is said to be among the devotees of electricity, while the zest with which the marquis of Salisbury and his nephew, Arthur Balfour, go in for electrical work is well known. In New York city one of our very rich young men spends much of his time and money in the improvement of electrical launches; and another wealthy member of an old family in the interior of the state has made valuable researches, including some on the consumption of carbon in the primary battery, as a step toward getting electricity directly from coal.

Note is now made of the diversions of a New York banker at Schroon lake, where this electrical amateur has built and maintains for himself and his neighbors a beautiful little electric light plant, and where he operates an electric launch, an electric dingy, a search light laboratory and some other trifles. In this way, not only is steady amusement derived but many useful hints and points are picked up that the commercial concerns are glad to avail themselves of, and not a little interesting work of real scientific value is also the result.

AN OUTLAW FORTRESS.

The Cliff From Which the Sizemore Band Shot Down Travelers.

On the left bank of the Holston river in Hawkins county, Tennessee, is a cliff which has some local fame. It is of solid stone, perpendicular from the base up, and is something over a hundred feet high. From the top of it the country is visible for miles and miles, affording a grand view of the hill, mountain and stream. A few feet back from the edge are still plainly to be seen the earthworks forming the rendezvous of the celebrated Sizemore and his gang of desperadoes. From the top of the cliff they commanded a full view of a much used public road, together with two fords above and below, and a great number of hapless soldiers as well as private citizens who had lucklessly incurred their anger fell victims to their unerring rifle bullets as they attempted to pass all unconscious of danger. Very near this cliff is a little cave at least a mile deep, on the sides of which are written the names of once prominent people who have long since passed away, the dates running back perhaps a hundred years. In one of the caverns is a perfect little table formed of a flat rock. During the war this cave was used by some soldiers as a place for making saltpeter, the hoppers being still in a state of preservation, the earth looking as if it had been dug but recently.

Other United States Than Ours.

There is, of course, but one United States in our estimation, but as a matter of fact the designating title which we are in the habit of assigning to our own country alone is borne by four other nationalities. They are the United States of Mexico, which came into official being in 1824; the United States of Colombia, which succeeded New Granada in 1861; the United States of Venezuela in 1864, and the United States of Brazil, which were established in 1889.

The Homoeopathic System.

A recent applicant before the medical examining board of Texas was asked: "What is histology?" "Histology is the history of medicine." "What system of medicine do you practice?" "The Vanderbilt and St. Louis systems, and sometimes the homoeopathic system." "What is the homoeopathic system, as you call it?" "Sweatin' the patient."

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PENCIL PUSHERS.

How They Are Paid on the New York City Papers.

According to Capt. Henry King, in an article written for the Forum, journalists in New York city are appreciated. Those of the DEMOCRAT's readers who feel themselves possessed of newspaper talent should not throw it away in the attempt to reach the presidential chair. Capt. King says:

"In New York City, the salaries are higher than anywhere else, partly because of the superior standard of proficiency and partly because the cost of living is greater there than in any other large city. One editor-in-chief has the same salary as the president of the United States, \$50,000 per year, and others receive from \$10,000 to \$12,000, or more than members of the cabinet. Managing editors are paid from \$100 to \$150 per week, or a better compensation than that of senators and representatives in congress. Editorial writers get from \$50 to \$75 per week as a rule, and in cases of rare ability as much as the average salary of a managing editor. City editors receive from \$60 to \$75 per week, and in a few instances \$100. The pay of news editors is about equal to that of city editors. Literary, theatrical and musical critics average \$50 per week. Copy writers are paid from \$40 to \$45 per week. Reporters earn all the way from \$15 to \$60 per week, with an average of \$40, and space writers of particular talents have been known to make as much as \$125 per week, though the limitation of topics and the pressure of competition usually keep their incomes down around the best paid reporters. There are some writers for syndicates of newspapers, men with names that have a certain value, who earn from \$5,000 to \$6,000 per year, and there are others of first-class technical capacity in various lines whose salaries occasionally reach \$5,000. The pay of all classes of journalists average 10 per cent lower in Brooklyn than in New York City."

Wants His Money Back.

Chief Harrigan, of St. Louis, received a letter yesterday from A. Schaeffer, of Red Cloud, Neb., giving details of how he has been taken in. In June Schaeffer sent

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This we say in referring you to the numbers of persons that have in the last three months bought Missouri Sewing Machines, as from them you can learn the Missouri Sewing Machine has proven itself all that is claimed for it.
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NANETTE KEMP.
August Wield, at Xenia, Ill., \$17 to defray the expenses of his daughter, Lizzie, to Red Cloud. Lizzie, he said, was to come and stay at his home awhile, and if suitable to each other, they were to get married. Since September 1, the writer says, that he has not heard from the family.

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